

ORANGE COAST COLLEGE

Academic Senate Meeting | Oct. 1, 2024 | 11:30 am - 12:30 pm | Student Union
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the Faculty House is well prepared for our needs. Once it is cleaned up, he would like to invite everyone for a tour. Additionally, if we move to the Faculty House, we will need a HyFlex system for our Senate meetings as we have here. We will need to collaborate to secure funding for this.

Hispanic Heritage Month: On a related note, in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, the CLEEO Project event featuring Manuel Vargas will take place at 11 a.m. today.

Senator Kelly Holt: He congratulated Dr. Kelly Holt on her new appointment as Interim Dean of CHS, which will create a [temporary] vacancy for a new OCC Senator -at-Large position.

RSI: Under today's unfinished business, we will hear from Online Coordinator Laura Behr and Dr. Anna Hanlon regarding the upcoming accreditation visit and the Required Substantial Interaction. Lori Pullman, the OCC Curriculum Chair, will also provide an update on the Curriculum Committee's activities.

- B. Union/Bargaining Unit Report - CFE President Rob Schneiderman: CFE President Schneiderman stated that he would like to address a significant issue discussed at the District Curriculum meeting held on Friday, which included representatives from all three colleges. He stated that Vice Chancellor Andreea Serban announced that the District

change the meeting configuration of over 600 classes district wide. The Union believes that management is inappropriately pressuring the Curriculum Committee to resolve a fiscal issue. We stand with Curriculum Chair Lori Pullman, who emphasized that the primary goal of the committee is to maintain the academic quality and integrity of our programs and ensure compliance with educational standards. Financial concerns should not be the committee's responsibility. This situation stems from management receiving a 10% discount on lab costs, which they are reluctant to relinquish. The pay issue has escalated, and the Union plans to attend meetings on Friday and Saturday with the California Federation of Teachers and their statewide leaders. We will seek support to organize a potential strike authorization, if necessary. It is essential to address the lecture-lab disparity through negotiations rather than exerting pressure on the curriculum committees.

Vice-President Gordon: Asked President Schneiderman to provide more details on what the Vice Chancellor is trying to push the faculty to do. CFE

Schneiderman: Agreed to elaborate. Vice Chancellor Serban: Stated that she was present, and she respectfully disagreed with CFE Schneiderman's characterization of the situation. She stated they have a recording that clarifies the context, which involves aligning units with hours per Title V regulations. The 600 courses in question currently exceed the hours allowed by state-recognized formulas. This issue is not about the lab factor, which is a separate discussion. The focus of the curriculum workshop was to ensure compliance with the standards defined in Title V. CFE President Schneiderman:

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last on-campus accreditation visit, an ACCJC member walked into her physical class, and it was observed for at least an hour, but there was no ongoing monitoring of her teaching or other instructors' teaching, before that ACCJC visit to check to see if they were doing things "correctly." There are concerns about this new approach of monitoring courses outside of the normal evaluation and contract processes. While we should address the RS issue, we must ensure we implement it appropriately and correctly to avoid a repeat of past overreactions, as well, such as the Pope Tech issue, last year. Online Coordinator Behr: As a faculty member and online coordinator, I want to clarify that I am not submitting this assessment to an external group. I am part of the same faculty community as you all. My intention is to bring a self-assessment that reflects our collective efforts. We are all in this together. Senator McCarroll: The timeline says that from November 19th through December 6th the Online Coordinator will follow up with non-respondents. Does that imply that it is required? Online Coordinator Behr: No, it's just so we get a number set of what our online courses look like. We plan on doing this for online courses, asynchronous and hybrid courses.

5. New Business

A. Artificial Intelligence (AI) - President Rendell Drew: Stated that his report summarizes his experience at the recent Future AI Summit, which he attended alongside his colleague, Rupa Saran, who is actively involved in this initiative. This is a brief overview of the summit highlights, including insights on teaching with artificial intelligence, policy development considerations, and overcoming common fears associated with AI. The key takeaways from the Summit were these items:

1. Overcoming AI Fears: Many attendees expressed concerns about AI's impact on education. Addressing these fears is crucial as we explore AI's transformative potential. Coordinator Behr

As we move forward, it is essential to use growth -minded language in our policies, avoiding fear -based approaches. Several institutions, like Stanford University and Arizona State University

their ability to regurgitate information, rather than engaging with the material critically. As AI

