



1. Loren Sachs, Consumer & Health Sciences
2. Andy Stuart, Literature & Languages
3. Eric Cuellar, Counseling

1. Kayleigh Sevi, Literature & Languages
2. Marilyn Kennedy, Literature & Languages
3. Glynis Hoffman, Literature & Languages
4. Drew Rendell, Social and Behavioral Sciences
5. Mike Lannom, Technology

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Claudia Montoya-Andrews stated that nominations for Outstanding Coast Colleague(s) of the Year will begin on November 1<sup>st</sup> and are due by February 2<sup>nd</sup>. More information on the awards and how one can nominate can be accessed on

- BSI has approved funding for The Student Success Center and for Library software

BSI funding is changing and going towards multiple funding pots into one funding pot. [Dean John Taylor noted that this pot would be called " Student Equity Achievement Program." ] PDAC has been reviewing the " melding of the pots" and in general how to understand and have access to this and other funding, and noted the links PDAC has provided online at the Portal for PDI.

President Sachs noted that we need to discuss these issues at a later date.

BSI Committee Member/Senator Blair stated that there is a lot of uncertainty on how the BSI funding will be placed into the pot and dispersed; we don't have enough in

Additionally, the current AP 4240 policy [ratified in 2012] and the goldenrod OCC Academic Renewal policy sheet used this semester in Counseling and Admissions/Records lists courses to exempt from academic renewal yet the new those are removed from the new policy proposal: "courses required as a prerequisite or to satisfy a requirement in the student's current declared program of study."

A senator stated that historically the language used in the course catalog regarding academic renewal was "educational objective." "Program of Study

Senator Kennedy noted on the chart that those changes would drop us to five instead of six of the lowest standards. Senators had the following comments and questions regarding the policy:

- “My division does not support any changes at all.”
- “My division does not want standards lowered.”
- A senator asked if students could “game the system” or exploit this policy
- Another senator voiced concerns that the new proposed policy could be viewed as a “perverse incentive” —attracting students who are not typically OCC students to attend just to use this policy and we would be the preferred institution for this kind of renewal.
- Another senator asked for clarification between renewing a course or repeating it [renewal removes a grade from the calculation of the official OCC GPA but the grade is still evident on the transcript; repetition requires a student to retake a course and have the first grade lined out on the transcript and not calculated in the official OCC GPA.]
- A senator asked if academic renewal could be used by students eligible for financial aid and athletic standing to have courses forgiven after the semester was over.
- A senator noted that three-fourths of our students are liberal arts majors—or undeclared majors—and that they change majors on an average of four times, so they may have a

