

CALENDAR STANDING COMMITTEE
PASADENA AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, May 6, 2020 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. ZOOM

DRAFT NOTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Terry Giugni, Co-Chair Vice President, Instruction
Matt Henes, Co-Chair Academic Senate President
Kerin Huber, Academic Senate
Loknath Persaud, Academic Senate
Jeff Winter, Academic Senate
Martha House, Division Dean
Jaclyn Cevallos, Management Association
Arlene Reed, Director of Admissions and Records
Dionne Shelton, Associated Students
Jessica Mu, Associated Students
Kimberly Wiscovitch, Associated Students
Denise Albright, Classified CFT
Isela Ocegueda, Management Association
Suzanne Anderson, Academic Senate
Robert Bell, Executive Committee
Erland Weydahl, Academic Senate

GUEST Carie Afuso

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

M. Henes called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

MOTION to approve March 4, 2020 meeting notes by D. Shelton; seconded by J. Winter, with the following two corrections:

VOTE: Amended minutes approved by majority vote. Abstentions: M. House, R. Bell, L. Persaud

Motion carries.

INFORMATION ITEMS AND NEW ITEMS DISCUSSION

Review, Discussion, and Possible Action on the 2021 - 2022 Academic Calendar

M. Henes presented a mock-up of the 2021-2022 Academic Calendar with operational dates. T. Giugni gave a highlighted narrative and explained that June through December mimicked the approved fall 2020-2021 Academic Calendar. There are currently 79 instructional days on the fall side of the calendar. There needs to be 88 so M. Henes recommended 9 more Saturdays to **bold** for instructional days as a cluster of 8 leaving Labor Day weekend alone and then the next eight in a row.

MOTION to approve the June – December side of the 2021-2022 Academic Calendar by J. Winter

seconded by I. Ocegueda.

VOTE: Approved by majority vote. Opposed: S. Anderson.

Motion carries.

The 2022 side of the Calendar was reviewed by T. Giugni. K. Huber questioned why the summer start date was May 11. T. Giugni explained that this would allow faculty to have the same pay opportunities as of mid-June as before—instead of teaching winter-spring, they could teach spring-first summer. M. Henes clarified that the second summer session would immediately follow the first to allow for two back-to-back summer sessions so the second one would end on August 5. T. Giugni indicated that there would most likely be built-in an eight week or possibly longer ten- or twelve-week summer for courses needing additional uninterrupted time. They would likely start around the June 27th start date so they did not exclude high school, CSU and UC summer students.

There are 78 instructional days on the January through July side of the calendar. Again 88 are needed M. Henes requested feedback on which ten, (10) Saturdays were recommended by the committee. S. Anderson proposed that this be held off until this has been negotiated.

S. Anderson asked M Henes how the senate voted to direct the representatives on the Calendar Committee regarding a vote to eliminate winter. S. Anderson indicated that the Faculty Association submitted a demand to bargain for winter and would need to negotiate this calendar change prior to a vote.

M. Henes explained that the Academic Senate vote was close. Members were 15 in favor and 12 against, with 3 abstentions. M. Henes noted that Academic Senate voted in favor of a winter calendar, but also indicated that the senate appeared fairly divided.

E. Weydahl questioned why M. Henes emphasized the close vote rather than the fact that the majority opposed the elimination of the winter intercession. T. Giugni responded that there was no discussion and that it was not strongly supported by the academic senate regarding the matter prior to the vote. The vote at Academic Senate was not data driven. S. Anderson argued that it was inappropriate for someone not on the senate to make assumptions about a faculty vote. T. Giugni responded that data was distributed to the Calendar Committee to inform constituent groups and that the president has made it clear that she wants a calendar where spring semester ends before June 1st. What has been proposed, which E. Weydahl requested at an earlier meeting, is the new calendar without winter would be utilized for the following three years and then reevaluated with data.

L. Persuad expressed concern about voting as a representative of the Academic Senate.

D. Shelton was concerned for students' ability to transfer if winter was removed. T. Giugni explained that we will have winter for another year, 2021, so PCC can work with students to transition and build their schedules so they can have the courses in their academic plan and not be impacted by the elimination of winter.

MOTION to postpone this vote until the FA has negotiated by S. Anderson. Seconded by E. Weydahl.

AMENDED MOTION to postpone the vote until the Academic Senate discusses again by E. Weydahl. Seconded by J. Winter.

VOTE: In favor: 2: S. Anderson, E. Weydahl. Opposed: 8 Abstained: Dr. Shelton, J. Mu. Failed by majority vote.

Amendment Fails

Discussion. T. Giugni explained that this recommendation needs to go to College Council prior to the end of Spring semester. He also stated that the final decision rests with the Board of Trustees. The Calendar Committee makes a recommendation to College Council, which in turn makes a recommendation to the Superintendent/President. The President then makes a recommendation to the Board of Trustees, who ultimately approves a calendar.

VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION to postpone this vote until the FA has negotiated by S. Anderson. Seconded by E. Weydahl.

VOTE: In favor: 2 S. Anderson, E. Weydahl. Opposed: 4 Abstained: D. Shelton, J. Mu, D. Albright. Failed by majority vote.

Motion fails.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 2:01 p.m.

FUTURE MEETING DATE

May 20, 2020

Recorder: JoEllyn McGrath