

Edison State College Faculty Senate

Meeting Minutes

Friday, March 2, 2012

1:00 p.m.

Type of Meeting: Special District Meeting

Meeting Facilitator: Prof. Don Ransford, District Faculty Senate President

- I. Call to order – Opening Remarks from the Senate President
- II. Approval of Minutes from January 4, 2012 and February 3, 2012 Meetings

Motion to approve minutes. All in favor. Minutes approved.

Added: Dr. Wendy Chase and Dr. Katherine Wilkins spoke about the Humanities Colloquium: Education for a New Humanity 2012, on February 16 and 17. Dr. David Orr, professor of environmental studies and politics at Oberlin College, will deliver the keynote address on Friday, Feb. 17 at 1:30 p.m

- III. Search Processes

- A. District President

This is not live, online, on the ESC site. There is a PR campaign. Faculty on committee cannot talk about meetings.

- B. Others (Dean, Arts & Sciences; Director of Assessment; Dean, School of Health Sciences)

It is not known who is on these committees. A public record search may have to be done to find out.

It was strongly suggested that the search processes for all these positions be more transparent and not covert.

- IV. Faculty Senate Report to the Board of Trustees in March

- A. RN to BSN Nursing Program (Marti Jenner)

Motion made for Marti Jenner to speak at the March meeting and the new VPSS, Dr. Vechin, to speak at the next district meeting. All in favor.
Approved.

- V. Interim Vice-President for Student Services

Dr. Vechin has been appointed to oversee Student Services. He will be asked to speak at the next District Faculty Senate Meeting

VI. Open Forum for the Board of Trustees and the Faculty

It was discussed that we are not sure if the Board of Trustees “gets” the faculty, the roles of the faculty members, or the work we do.

Should there be a time to speak to the Board as a faculty?

We don’t want to seem to be complaining.

VII. Assessment Chair

This is moving forward. It was recommended that further discussion of this be tabled until the next meeting.

VIII. Salary Negotiations Update

All faculty have been asked to check pay stubs, as there were errors in the February checks and mistakes could have been made.

IX. New business

There could be as many as 22 new faculty lines – new faculty positions – for next academic year.

X. Adjournment

Submitted by Caroline Seefchak, Ph.D.