**The De Anza Academic Senate**

**Approved Notes from the Retreat**

**September 28th, 2015**

**Senators and Officers present:** Alexander, Anderson, Bryant, Cruz, Delas, Dolen, Donahue, Hertler, Klem, Kragalott, Langfelder, Lewis, Liu, Miskin, Mitchell, Pape, Schaffer, Setziol, and Sullivan

**Senators and Officers Absent:** Capitolo

**DASB: FA Liaison:** Randy Claros

**Classified Senate:**

**Curriculum Co Chair: Ram Subramaniam**

**Administrative Liaison**:

**Director of Diversity, Social Justice, and Multicultural Ed.:** Veronica Neal

**Guests:** Paul Starer,Rob Mieso

**Faculty and Staff Development:** Jen Myhre

**[NOTE: Item numbers are reflective of agenda numbers in the order they are actually taken up at the meeting.]**

**Although there was no formal call to order because almost all of the meeting was informal, a quorum was present.**

The retreat began with Conocimiento and Mindfulness activities plus self introductions.

Next there was a presentation complete with handouts and both small group and large group discussions about “Calling in versus Calling Out Culture” which were all very successful in engaging those in attendance.

Rob Mieso gave and update on the Student Success and Support Program and pointed to a revised plan soon to be sent to the State after presentations to the Academic Senate, other groups, and the Board of Trustees.

This was followed by Cruz and Setziol providing the Senators with an orientation to all the responsibilities and empowerments of the Academic Senate stemming from State law, Title 5 regulations, and Board Policy pursuant to law and regulations.

Ram Subraminam gave a presentation on the curriculum process including new developments and contacts for various aspects of the curriculum process.

Cynthia Kaufman gave a brief presentation on the new but yet to be implemented Environmental Sustainability and Global Citizenship General Education and mentioned a small group which will happily work with faculty from any department on exploring the prospects of a course or courses qualifying.

On the distributed agenda were items related to the three year review of the college Courses Into Disciplines and FSAs Report and an update on textbooks and Open Educational Resources but these items were not entertained due to a lack of time.

**There was one formal agenda item which was duly taken up with a quorum present – Needs and Confirmations**

Milla Ison, George Krestas, and Danielle Von Matt were confirmed for service on the Amanda Lien Tenure Review Committee. Lenore Desilets, RamSubramaniam, and Marcy Betlach were confirmed for service on the Erik Houser Tenure Review Committee. Lisa Markus, Karl Schaffer, and Barbara Dahlke were confirmed for service on the Cheryl Balm Tenure Review Committee. Bob Stockwell was confirmed for service on the Veronica Neal Tenure Review Committee. Kathy Flores, Maria Marin, and Zack Judson were confirmed for service on the Iva Tracy Tenure Review Committee. Byron Lilly was confirmed for service on the Manish Goes Tenure Review Committee. Herminio Hernando, Melinda Hughes, and Anu Khanna were confirmed for service on the Erick Aragon Tenure Review Committee. Rachel Pacheco was confirmed for service on the Physical Education Facilities and Equipment Position Search and Selection Committee. Sherri Cozzens and Cheryl Owiesny were confirmed for service on the District Professional Development Leave Committee.

**The retreat ended with appreciations stated by various individuals about other individuals and about the retreat itself.**