

May 16, 2024
AC 229 Kentfield Campus

Present: Jonathan Eldridge, Nekoda Harris, Mia Robertshaw, Maria Coulson (Academic Senate rep), David King (Academic Senate rep), Sally Wong (Classified Senate rep), Brier Welch (Classified Senate rep), Ryan Barbosa (ASCOM rep), Gavi Bar-or (ASCOM rep), Gary Gonser (ESCOM student rep), Leonard Weingarten (ESCOM rep and guest attendee), and Mici Benet

Absent: Rebecca Yim (Vice President), Caitlin Rolston (Secretary)

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m.

1. **Agenda** - The agenda was approved without changes.
2. **Minutes** - The meeting minutes from April 11, 2024, were unanimously approved.

3. **President's Report**

Environmental Action at College of Marin

The College of Marin (COM) student leaders of the Environmental Action Club and Sustainability Club [introduced themselves](#) to the Council and presented their [environmental action proposal](#) with a recommendation to form an Environmental Action Committee. Once formed, the Committee would work with a consultant to collect inventory and benchmark data over the summer to inform recommendations and establish an environmental mitigation plan for COM in the fall.

The Environmental Action Committee will inform Planning, Resource and Allocation Committee (PRAC) discussions as part of the participatory governance system.

Klaus Christiansen, Director of Maintenance & Operations, answered questions and reported that a team of staff will work alongside the consultants and students and will compile any data requested.

Interim Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of Student Learning and Success Mia Robertshaw commented that because the Center for Student Success is incomplete a margin of error for the data is likely but longitudinal data will help with the carbon footprint assessment.

The College Council unanimously endorsed the formation of an Environmental Action Committee.

Bond Program Update

Superintendent/President Jonathan Eldridge updated the Council on the status of the Center for Student Success and the Bolinas Marine Lab Station projects. He reported there remains \$8.8 million in contingency funds for other campus projects, with Board approval.

Bench Naming

Community members and staff have approached the District for memorial benches but there was no process in place to do so. [Board Policy 2800](#) and [Administrative Procedure 2800](#) only address the naming of buildings and facilities.

The Council approved four bench tributes with no cost to the district and minimum labor to honor longstanding past employees. The item will go to the May regular board meeting.

End of Year Group Photo

The 2023-2024 College Council members posed for an end of year group photo.

4. Board Policies and Administrative Procedures

To the extent that a BP/AP is in a constituent group's purview, College Council unanimously recommended that the below procedures forward to the Board of Trustees as information items.

- *AP 2015 Student Trustee*
- *AP 2110 Vacancies on the Board*
- *AP 2320 Special and Emergency Meetings*
- *AP 2340 Agendas*
- *AP 2360 Minutes*
- *AP 2712 Conflict of Interest Code*
- *AP 2714 Distribution of Tickets or Passes*
- *AP 3050 Institutional Code of Ethics*
- *AP 3255 Memberships*
- *AP 3300 Public Records*
- *AP 3435 Discrimination and Harassment Procedures*
- *AP 3820 Gifts*
- *AP 4103 Work Experience*
- *AP 5055 Enrollment Priorities*
- *AP 5070 Attendance*
- *AP 5410 Associated Students Organization Elections*
- *AP 6200 Budget Preparation*
- *AP 6550 Disposal of Personal Property*
- *AP 6700 Civic Center and Other Facilities Use*

- AP 7385 Salary Deductions
- AP 7400 Travel

5. **Board of Trustees**

The Council reviewed the draft Board of Trustees' regular meeting agenda for May 21, 2024. Before the meeting, a topping out ceremony with beam signing will be held for the Center of Student Success. Highlighted agenda items included the Measure B Update, a faculty update on AB 1705, Introductions & Reception for Newly Tenured Faculty, the Environmental Action Presentation that was before the Council, and a PRAC update.

6. **Constituent Reports**

ESCOM

Gary Gonser, ESCOM President, introduced ESCOM Vice President Leonard Weingarten thanking him for his resource fair work at the Redwoods. He updated the Council members on a new, revitalized Bridge Club, ESCOM outreach efforts, and upcoming events. Details may be found [here](#). The Spotlight author series will next highlight [Outraged](#) by Brian Copeland.

Classified Senate

Sally Wong, Classified Senate President, reported on recent events that included a Q&A session with President Eldridge, an Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) advisory council, meeting with the program coordinator for Classified professional development professional learning to discuss employee engagement. The Employee Appreciation Luncheon is May 22, and the CS Book Club reading of *Braiding Sweetgrass*, by Robin Wall Kimmerer. The Classified Senate election is in June and a retreat is planned for that month as well.

Academic Senate

Academic Senate (AS) Vice President David King reported that AS leadership attended the state-wide plenary, in San Jose, to vote on Statewide Academic Senate officers and resolutions, discuss AB 1705 and the role of artificial intelligence (AI) in education.

The AS has decided to change the name of the Discontinuance Committee.

The April election results determined that Maria Coulson will continue as President and Dave King will remain Vice President of AS.

ASCOM

Student Senate President Ryan Barbosa reported on events such as Healthy Planet,

Healthy Mind, the very successful IVC Farm plant give-away, and support to students during finals week, with free pizza, snacks, and activities to help reduce stress.

While there is no student trustee, the students have elected Emily Cardwell as the next ASCOM President Ryli Bowen as the ASCOM Vice President.

Gavi Bar-or reported on the Berkeley City College visit to College of Marin to share governance strategies. It was a great opportunity to connect, learn from each other, and share governance experiences.

7. Meeting Wrap Up

Next academic year new senate officers will join College Council and staff will update the group on any the Environmental Action Committee data and recommendations.

8. Meeting Schedule:

The next regular meeting is on September 12, in room AC 229.

9. Adjourn Meeting – The meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

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