

## **President's Report**

February 21, 2018

### **Spring Retreat of the Academic Senate**

Our retreat will be between 11:00-3:00 on Friday, March 9, at the home of Laura Aspinall. No time, neither for our originally scheduled retreat nor for our rescheduled retreat, is good for everyone. We understand if you can't make it. We scheduled it to straddle morning and afternoon, aware that some can make it either but not both of those, so we hope that if you have any significant portion of the 11:00-3:00 time slot, you will come for part of it. Continental breakfast, including mimosas, and lunch will be served.

### **SIS Vendor Demonstrations**

These have been set up for the following (all located in the Bertolini Student Activity Center; each vendor presents on Monday morning and Friday afternoon in their respective week except the last one):

- Ellucian (Feb 26 8:30-10:00; and Mar 2, 3:15-5:00)
- Oracle (Mar 5, 8:30-10:00; and Mar 9, 3:15-5:00)
- Workday (Mar 12, 8:30-10:00 and Mar 16, 3:30-5:00)
- Existing SIS (April 3 and 5, both 8:30-10:00)

I personally have no expertise in this area, and will not be able to attend all sessions. A great deal of effort was spend trying to get these scheduled at times more conducive to faculty participation. So please, please, please, attend, encourage users and experts with knowledge of SIS to attend, and forward your feedback to the Executive Committee.

### **Area B**

This semester's Area B meeting is FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 10:00-2:00 (Friday of our Spring Break) at the **Petaluma Campus**. If you happen to be in town, this is a great way to meet colleagues from our region (Area B covers the entirety of the greater Bay Area, containing 34 California community colleges). All are welcome. Since we are providing a continental breakfast and lunch, please tell us if you plan to attend by March 2 ([jmelvin@santarosa.edu](mailto:jmelvin@santarosa.edu)).

### **Guided Pathways**

8 Faculty will go to the Workshop to receive training and give feedback on Guided Pathways in Oakland, March 1, and 2. A larger group of about 20 faculty will be assembled to write the Work Plan and shepherd the study and implementation of Guided Pathways at SRJC. The number of attendees to the workshop is limited by spaces and expense. Those who submitted applications for GP but were not selected for the workshop stay tuned!

The 8 were selected to represent as broad a diversity of disciplines and points of view as we could get from the available volunteers.

They are: Eric Thompson (Academic Senate/Liberal Arts), Nancy Persons (Academic Senate/Library), Roberto Alvarado (Counseling), Summer Winston (CTE), Michael Ichikawa (math), Lauren Servais (English), Tara Johnson (DRD), Lauralyn Larson (Work Experience)

Respectfully submitted,

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