

## President's Report

Academic Senate November 21, 2018

### Butte College and the Camp Fire

Over 400 students and 100 faculty and staff are homeless or displaced because of the Camp Fire. The college has been closed for a couple of weeks and is scheduled to reopen November 26<sup>th</sup>. They are doing many of the same things we were doing a little over a year ago. Consider donating at [butte.edu/campfire](http://butte.edu/campfire)

### Shared Governance at SRJC

A new work group has been formed and the personnel almost finalized which I call the "Newly founded Committee Reduction Committee." It consists of 3 members each from 4 cross-function groups: faculty, administration, students, and classified staff. Under the auspices of PCC and College Council, this group will be studying our shared governance systems and recommend changes.

### Statewide Update

- AB 1809: The Funding Formula and Requirement to Align College's Goals with Vision for Success

*In December, next month, the Board of Trustees (through its designee, the President) will certify to the Chancellor's Office that SRJC has a plan to accomplish this. This requirement does not include the Academic Senate. By sometime toward the end of the semester, "around May," The college will produce a statement that we have student success goals that are a) measurable, b) include a specific time frame for reaching, and c) an explanation of how they are aligned with The Vision for Success's six goals.*

*SRJC's Process. A subcommittee of the Institutional Planning Council has met twice to discuss a) our Strategic Plan, b) the requirements of AB 1809, and how we should proceed; this subcommittee consists of faculty, including myself, administrators and classified employees. IPC has a student seat and student participation is an ongoing area of effort. The informal consensus of the group so far is that a reset of the Strategic Plan, whatever it ends up looking like, should be distinct from the enterprise of complying with AB 1809 and that the goals we set should be organic and indigenous rather than simply a capitulation to the Vision document. This cross-functional conversation is also taking place at PCC and other places. We are still attempting to set up a meeting with the AS president and Board president to discuss this.*

- **Guided Pathways**

A meeting was held this morning in Dr. Chong's Office with our recently, Chancellor's Office appointed, Guided Pathways region coordinator Krista Johns. Attending this meeting was Dr. Chong and Dr. Jane, myself, and Guided Pathways steering committee co-chairs Alexa Forrester and Michael Hale.

*General Drift of the Conversation: 2 things*

- 1. Our region coordinator has a view of Guided Pathways implementation that is very computable with the diversity of views, skepticism, and focus on local determination that we have. I think I speak for the other faculty—and administrators-- there as well as myself when I say it was refreshing and stress-relieving.*
- 2. The implementation of CCCCCO initiatives is confusing, ever changing, often ambiguous and contradictory. The good news is that this is partly caused by the responsiveness of the CCCCCO to criticism and input from the field. So, many of the things required of us don't yet have firm deadlines, don't yet have rubrics yet, because the criteria is shifting and changing. This can be frustrating, but it should also give us some stress-relieving perspective: let's not worry too much about conforming since what we're conforming to is in flux and is susceptible (at least to a small extent) to our input.*

*Specific Answers to Logistical Questions*

*The process for continuing participation in the Guided Pathways Grant (getting the next year's money) will involve updating the Work Plan we've already written. It will again require two signatures: The Academic Senate President, and President of the College. The due date will be spring (that's a due season not a due date because the date hasn't been set yet).*

*We also made requests for various kinds of information be culled and provided by the CCCCCO on, for example, what other colleges in our region are doing with GP, so we can do some targeted "shopping" for useful models.*

*The Guided Pathways Steering Committee will be giving us an update on December 5 and the subject of our continued participation in Guided Pathways will be brought to the Senate in February for discussion and debate.*