

Reporte de Presidente

Senado Académico, dieciséis de enero, 2019
Enrique Thompson

Senate Business

Elections Committee Member needed. Routine elections will be held this spring for some senate seats and for president elect.

Statewide Senate (ASCCC)

Area B

Our Area B representative, Conan McKay, abruptly resigned and was replaced by Mayra Cruz of DeAnza College. This semester's Area B meeting will be

Friday, March 22, 2019 (during our **Spring Break**) 9:30 A.M. – 3:00 P.M., at **Monterey Peninsula College** Library & Technology Center, Sam Karas Room
980 Fremont St, Monterey, CA 93940

All are welcome. I would love some company. If you are in town and available during Spring Break and would like to go, let me know. It is an excellent way to be introduced to statewide senate goings-on.

Plenary

Westin San Francisco Airport, April 11-13. Attending will be, according to our current understanding, myself, Jesse Costen, Paulette Bell and Julie Thompson.

FLC

The Faculty Leadership Council met on Monday with Jordan Burns, now president of the Board of Trustees, as our guest. The conversation including some airing of our concerns about Trustee Burns' potentially strained relationship with faculty because of events last year here in the senate chambers and elsewhere. Our concerns were especially eloquently voiced by Dr. Brenda Flyswithawks. It was a great opportunity to have a difficult and honest conversation. The conversation also included the expression of shared interests and values, and a commitment to have more quality communication between the Board and the Senate, as well as communication with faculty in general.

For those not aware: The FLC was formed recently (last year) and consists of the Academic Senate President and Vice President, the AFA President and (one of the) Vice Presidents, and the two Co-chairs of the Department Chairs Council. We meet the 1st and 3rd Mondays of every month through the semester.

Guided Pathways

Edinsights is a research organization based in Sacramento that has been hired by the Chancellor's office to study how the chancellor is supporting Guided Pathways efforts. We were

one of 12 colleges chosen for this research project. At the GP steering committee meeting yesterday, we expressed concerns and misgivings about agreeing to participate. After discussion with VPAA Dr. Jane Saldaña-Talley, and a member of the team from Edinsights (via Zoom) we agreed to participate on the condition that their visit to our campus be postponed from mid-March to late April, and with the caveat that they understand we are in the inquiry phase only and our future participation in GP is far from certain.

Big Meeting Friday

There will be a plenary meeting of the GP workgroup this Friday at the Center for Teaching and Learning (the “fishbowl” on the third floor of Doyle), from 8:00-11:00 am. All senators are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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