

## El Reporte de Presidente de Senado Académico

Quince de mayo, 2019

### **Student Housing Update (Alojamiento de estudiantes)**

The Housing Workgroup met on Friday, May 3. This group, whose population fluctuates, but some members have been stable throughout the process, consists of faculty, students, administrators, board members and classified professionals as well as community members. The purpose of the meeting was for Servitas, the company selected by the cross-functional representative Work Group to build student housing, to present their initial design ideas and get feedback from all constituents. The feedback was very robust and came from all constituent groups.

Take a look at the initial design I am passing around. Note that we are in the early stages of the process and there are still many meetings to be held, so none of this design is final.

Members of the Work Group have been specifically selected and are your representatives. If you have any suggestions, notify them. For faculty, the three representative members are Karen Frindell-Teuscher, AFA president; Sarah Whyllly, academic senator; and myself, Eric Thompson, Academic Senate president.

### **Guided Pathways (Caminos guiados)**

- The AS Exec has met both in person and in continuous email exchanges following the charge from last Senate Meeting to flesh out the structure of Guided Pathways for the second year.
- A draft (attached) was brought to a joint Guided Pathways Workgroup and ISSC meeting last Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, and a robust discussion ensued. The principle criticisms of the Exec's draft were the following:
  1. The need for a coordinator was pressed
  2. The workload, it was asserted, is underestimated and more RAT is needed for faculty leads
  3. A greater role for classified participants and leads.
- The AS Exec took the feedback, and is in the process of revising the draft.
- In the meantime, the Scale of Adoption Form, submitted at the end of April, has been read by our Chancellor-appointed regional coordinator, who has asked to have a meeting with me. So, Krista Johns and I will meet at Peete's Coffee on Thursday of next week to discuss it.

### **Looking Ahead (Mirando hacia el futuro)**

- Reorganization will be happening; AFA has been working on provisions for faculty leadership to be paid for summer work in shared governance; I plan to be here working on representing Senate purview in discussions of reorganization

- Faculty Staffing: This process has been on hiatus this year, but is now being revised. We will hold an orientation meeting tomorrow and will begin for thing in the fall processing faculty staffing requests. It appears that about 40 faculty will be leaving via the ERI, and the administration will approve replacing the number of full time faculty—though not necessarily the positions one-to-one) up to the FON. The chancellor has been very late releasing our exact FON. We estimate that, given our enrollment decrease, our FON is most likely around 286 or so. Currently we have about 301 full time faculty. If 40 leave (pending final approval), and if our FON is indeed 286, we should be hiring at least 25 full time faculty during next year. Some of those hires, if possible, will be to start in the spring semester, 2020. Most will presumably be for fall 2020.

Note these are rough estimates. The number of full time faculty hires might be higher or lower depending on the FON and also the need. I hope that we will be able to hire more than the FON, but beyond the FON, that number is the purview of the president.

Eric Thompson