

## Academic Senate President's Report

October 19, 2016

### *AFA/Senate Dialogue*

- The Next joint AFA/Senate Meeting will be November 30, 3:15-5:00 on Campus
- There is a joint AFA/Senate Spring PDA Discussion being proposed prompted by the book *Redesigning America's Community Colleges*

### *Area B, October 14*

- Four from SRJC attended this fall: Eric Thompson, Tara Jacobson, Jennifer Carlin-Goldberg, and George Sellu. SRJC was the best represented district there (just sayin')
- There were reports on legislation (we'll bring the details later), on the ongoing accreditation study--two work groups have been formed, one to study improving relations with ACCJC, the other studying the feasibility of being accredited by WASC Sr.; and many opportunities for professional development workshops were mentioned including one on Equivalency coming up Oct 28 in Woodland; it is still possible to go to this one. Registration (free) closes this Friday.

### *Fall Plenary is November 2-5.*

- Four of us will fly to Costa Mesa on Wednesday night after our senate meeting and participate all day Thursday, Friday, and most of Saturday. Saturday is when the voting takes place, and I will be available to faculty who wish to give me input on how to vote for resolutions, as much as possible, via email while at Plenary
- The Resolutions can be found on the ASCCC website. I urge everyone to scan them for relevance to you, and inform me of how you think I should vote

### *President's Council October 17 (Robin Fautley proxy)*

- Adjunct Job Fare: Tuesday, Nov 1, 5:30-7:30 pm, Bertolini Student Activity Center  
Need faculty *in departments and disciplines that need adjuncts* to be on hand. Consider Volunteering (more on this below)
- Nov 18: New Student Survey. Classes will be randomly selected to participate. The survey will be done in class to increase effectiveness and participation. In part, it will ascertain students' living conditions (measure homelessness, for example). If your class is selected, please consider having the students fill it out

### *Textbook Affordability Act Proposal (AB 798)*

Last year we spent four senate meetings approving a plan in response to AB 798 (the Textbook Affordability Act); having been approved by the senate, we submitted a proposal for funding and our proposal was accepted! We were one of only 100 colleges funded in the combined CCC and CSU systems. Hooray!!!!!!! President Chong and Jennifer Carlin-Goldberg were notified late Friday via email.

### *DCC/IM*

- Re: Adjunct Job Fare

Date on Faculty Hiring pulled by Dr. MK Rudolph from the Chancellor's website:

Academic Year	Relation to the FON	FT/PT Ratio
2008-9	+2.25	51/49
2012-13	-8.63	61/39
2016-17 (now)	+12.61	64/36

- There was an hour long discussion about online instruction, part of an ongoing conversation, which we have been having and will continue to have here at the senate

Eric Thompson