

## Academic Senate President's Report 30 April 2025 / John A Stover III, PhD

We have A LOT to do in our last two meetings (today 4/30 and next week on May 7th) so here's another roadmap to help you navigate the day.

In Reports, we'll hear from the Bylaws/Constitution workgroup on action we can take both before the semester ends and in continued follow up next semester, and our CRC colleagues will present important handbook updates. Please ask any questions today as both of these reports will appear as Consent Items at next week's meeting. Today we also have three consent items:

- [Annotated recommendations on Generative Artificial Intelligence \(GenAI\) work](#) from our own Senate taskforce and to be sent to the forthcoming Districtwide Gen AI Taskforce
- [One Resolution](#) recommending the use of [the ACCJC](#) (our accrediting agency) rubric for Regular and Substantive Interaction (RSI) in online courses and in alignment with federal and state laws and accreditation standards
- And another resolution supporting the adoption of [Name Coach Software](#) (as recommended to us by the District Online Committee)

I recommend adopting all three consent items today in support of our continued [10+1 purview](#) in Areas Three [3]: Grading policies; Five [5]: Standards or policies regarding student preparation and success, and; Ten [10]: Processes for institutional planning and budget development. Note that Areas Three [3] and Five [5] are considered areas to "rely primarily upon" the advice of the Senate in our local system.

On the Action agenda, there are two returning items and one new item, with the new item [\[SLO Revised Rubric\]](#) flying through Senate discussion last week and moving quickly to Action in that meeting. I hope that momentum continues. Next, the apportionment action item, which remains long overdue. The options for voting have been updated as per our last Senate Discussion, and I once again highly recommend pursuing action on this long standing and unresolved topic.

Also, Senate Budget Considerations which was also quickly moved from Discussion to Action at our last meeting: we went around and around on this topic in ASEC last Thursday. Suffice to say, we need more time to develop concrete options for proceeding, including the consideration of the AAll position going full-time and the need to increase release time before adding another ASEC position like treasurer. ASEC wants to include the topic in our summer planning and retreat activities, during which time we can come up with much better framing questions for the body to consider. ***If you so agree, the body would have to move to table the action item until Fa25 at which time better framing questions will be available to support the discussion.***

In our Discussion and Information Item on this week's agenda, we're returning to the topic of Faculty Hiring, both today and in preparation for our Special Study Session on May 21st. We'll also start AY25-26 with this work as well. And on our Information Docket, a timely update on the ongoing work of [the Revised Participatory Governance Structure](#).

There's more to report, but since I'll see you again ONE WEEK from today, I'll leave it there for now. I appreciate you all and let's get to work.