First Vice President’s Report  2018.03.14

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Past Meetings/Events include
• 2018.03.02: Faculty Professional Development Activities Committee
• 2018.03.07: Collegial Consultation
• 2018.03.08: Officers meeting
• 2018.03.08: Trustee Davila
• 2018.03.11: Enrollment Campaigning in the Mission
• 2018.03.12: Education Policies Committee

Upcoming Meetings/Events include
• 2018.03.15: Officers meeting
• 2018.03.21: Collegial Consultation
• 2018.03.22: Officers meeting
• 2018.03.23: Area B Meeting
• Dates TBA: Labor Studies Revitalization, Prerequisite Process, ASCCC MQRTF

Collegial Consultation Notes
• The Chancellor wants a streamlined procedure for hiring administrators. Sound familiar? Parts of it don’t sound too bad (like shorter interviews) and he has increased the number of faculty reps to 3.
• He also pretty much told the officers that he does not consider our “Plus 1” draft resolutions to be important and so there has been no action taken on them in his Cabinet. Thus, we have no choice but to take our case directly to the Board. Trustee Davila now has copies of our Plus 1 draft resos.

Education Policies Committee Report
• We helped Deanna write Catalog language to describe the new EW symbol.
• Donna Hayes will approach the Registration & Enrollment Committee about allowing students with time-conflict-resolution forms to register during regular registration. (As it is now, students must wait for add/drop even if they have the signatures.)
• We will be proposing that students eligible for graduation in the immediately following summer be allowed to participate in Commencement.
• We made various suggestions to improve BP/AP 2.30, 2.31, and 2.32. The last two items will be on the Senate’s April 4 agenda.

Faculty ‘Travel’ Update
Nothing new except that all the baggage (Banner entry, out-of-state stuff) has more than doubled the Travel Chair’s workload. See item #4 below.

FPDAC Report
The Faculty Travel Chair (Fred) has reported to FPDAC that the FTF process might change, i.e., that the Chancellor is interested in not renewing the guidelines for next next year. Given that FTF might change, FPDAC thought now might be a good time to discuss proposed changes.

The FPDAC is interested in reviewing and redrafting the allocations allowed to faculty through the Faculty Travel Fund. From the Guidelines: “The allocation of funds for travel is based on the value of the trip to the students, the faculty member, the Department, and the College in general.” Currently, the general outline for the distribution of allocated funding for faculty to request reimbursements to cover expenditures for faculty to attend conferences, take classes, claim certain membership fees and obtain certification (CTE) fees is as follows:

Minimum that a department can be allocated for the Fall = $200 + amount based on dept. size

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At the end of the Fall, all encumbered funds are collected together for Spring and are available on a first come, first served basis.

Each faculty member may receive up to $1000 for requests made in the Fall and $400 for requests made in the spring.

The FTF can cover:
* Conferences
* Classes
* Certain Membership fees (include an essay -benefit of your membership to the college and to the students)
* Certification (CTE Faculty) Fees

The FPDAC is interested in discussing the following proposed changes regarding how the FTF allocations are distributed per semester as well as per department.

1. Eliminate the Fall/Spring differential
   It is understood that faculty can claim Fall allocations for a Spring event. However, many of the conferences occurring in the Spring/Summer do not advertise their event information with registration costs until after the new calendar year, so faculty cannot apply in the Fall to get the larger reimbursement.

2. Increase the departmental minimum...
   Some small departments receive barely more than the $200 minimum for all their Fall travel requests. FPDAC is aware that increasing the minimum funding allocated to certain departments would mean taking funding away from others. However, in a model that allows any/all faculty to request the same amount of funding regardless of department-specific allocations, this issue may also be eliminated.

3. …Or just eliminate the Fall departmental allocation
   Similarly, there is a an inquiry from the FPDAC as to why FTF is department specific. FPDAC is following up to determine why this is the case, but the FPDAC would be interested in opening up a discussion with the Academic Senate to lift this restriction and instead do the one-big-fund first-come first-served model all year.

4. Pity the Faculty Travel Chair
   The Travel Chair’s duties have expanded recently. They include Banner entry of all requests, follow-up with Accounting (i.e., Eric Brainard) when Banner doesn’t recognize a traveler’s ID #, scanning out-of-state requisitions, tracking down department chairs for additional signatures and information, communications with the PD/HR Office, and arranging for vice chancellor and Board approval. Currently, the FTF Chair is allowed 0.1FTEF reassigned time (for an instructor, that’s the equivalent of 3.5 hrs/wk of non-instructional time). However, the actual time spent on this position has sometimes exceeded 9 hrs/wk and is close to 7 on average. The request from the FPDAC would be to draft a resolution to increase FTF Chairman position to more accurately reflect the time and effort needed to perform these duties, such as a 0.2FTEF time reassignment.

If there is majority support in the ASEC for the proposed changes, the FPDAC Chair will draft a resolution for the ASEC to review and move forward.