

Meeting Minutes

Merritt College Academic Senate

Thursday, September 2, 2021

12:30-2:00 pm

Zoom URL: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/99184622859>

MEMBERS:

VOTING – List full name below, identify which constituency group each individual represents (place X in box adjacent to name when present)			
x	Tom Renbarger, President	x	Mary Ciddio, Vice President
x	Jennifer Yates	x	Arja McCray
x	Heather Casale	x	Isela Gonzales Santana
x	Lowell Bennett	x	Monica Ambalal
x	Ron Moss	x	Stefani de Vito
	Derrick Ross	x	Maria Suarez
	Anthony Powell	x	Jack Smith
Guests – List full name below, identify which constituency group each individual represents (place X in box adjacent to name when present)			
x	David Johnson, Merritt President	x	Nathan Pellegrin, Director of Research
x	Denise Richardson, Merritt VPI	x	Nghiem Thai, Librarian
x	Frances Moy, Student Access Services	x	Mike-a Cooper, ASMC President

GUESTS:

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW-UP ACTION
I. Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 12:33 p.m.	
II. Adoption of Agenda	Agenda was adopted without objection.	Chair – Email to merrittgovdocs@peralta.edu
III. Approval of Minutes	Meeting minutes from 5/20/21 deferred to next meeting	Chair – Email to merrittgovdocs@peralta.edu
IV. Action Items/ Presentations	<p>A1) Election of at-large DAS Rep: Lowell Bennett</p> <p>A2) Election of Treasurer: Jennifer Yates elected for Fall 21 until her retirement in Dec 21; special election to take place in Spring 22 with intention to reinstate Frances Moy to Senate and Treasurer at that time</p> <p>A3) Election of Secretary: Stefani de Vito</p> <p>B) Resolution to Hire full-time English Faculty Spring 22</p> <p>D. Johnson to meet with Chancellor Jackson to initiate hiring process since only 3 of 4 approved new salary obligations have been expended.</p> <p>C) D. Johnson report on Accreditation follow-up</p>	<p>Passed unanimously</p> <p>Passed unanimously</p> <p>Passed 9-1</p> <p>Passed unanimously</p> <p>Information/Discussion only</p>

	<p>D) MCAS 21/22 Goals ID scholarship committee by 3/1/21; make sure SEA meets regularly, has enough instructional faculty and reports at all MCAS meetings; Improve webpage; more suggestions to be emailed to T. Renbarger</p> <p>E) Return to Campus: 9/30/21 Brown Act exemption expires, therefore MCAS will need to meet in person unless otherwise notified.</p> <p>Motion (de Vito): If Brown Act waiver is not extended, reschedule 10/7/21 MCAS meeting to 9/30/21</p> <p>(F) Rent D Bldg space to AIMS Charter High School because COVAH high school no longer needs the space. Issues raised: ethics/employment practices of the AIMS school; who provides security in the event of discipline problems with AIMS students; does AIMS want the whole building; their use of the building solves the problem of D Bldg being “offline;” Will AIMS observe Merritt’s COVID mitigation strategies?</p> <p>Motion to extend meeting to 2:15</p> <p>(G) BAM Draft Handbook: Renbarger on committee to plan for implementation of SCFF</p>	<p>Information/Discussion only</p> <p>Information/Discussion only</p> <p>Passed unanimously</p> <p>Information/Discussion only</p> <p>Passed Unanimously</p> <p>Information/Discussion only</p>
V. Standing Items	None	
VI. New Business	<p>Identify Topic of Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
VII. Old Business	<p>Identify Topic of Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
VIII. Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Comment: Mike-a Cooper requested process for getting on agenda 	
IX. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 2:12 p.m.	