



**Luna Community College
Staff Advisory Senate
Regular Meeting
May 30th, 2019 @ 9:00 a.m.
Student Services Board Room**

MINUTES

- I. Meeting was called to order at 9:24 am, by President Ortiz.
- II. **Roll Call:** Present were: Amanda Ortiz, Evelyn Montoya, Francina Martinez, Karen Wezwick and Melissa Cordova.
- III. **Agenda:** Motion to accept as presented by Evelyn Montoya, seconded by Melissa Cordova. Motion passed.
- IV. **Minutes** for both April 3 and April 25 were presented. Motion to accept both as is proposed by Evelyn Montoya, seconded by Karen Wezwick. Motion passed.
- V. (skipped on Agenda)
- VI. **Reports**
 - a. **President's Report – President Ortiz**
 - Due to other obligations, Amanda had no updates on the Board Meetings. She did state that she made this known to the board, lest contemplations be made otherwise. SAS Policy 1520, was presented to the board for approval and passed at the May 14th meeting. Evelyn and Melissa both confirmed this. Two new board members were approved by the sitting board at that same meeting: For Dist. 5-- Julian Jaramillo and Dist. 6--Martin Gonzales
 - Question was raised about when names needed to be submitted for election into the seats that will be vacant (speculation was--in November).
 - Amanda and some others present expressed that there is a very weird vibe on campus, after seeing or hearing of staff escorted off campus due to non-renewal of contracts, and demotions of other staff.
 - The letter from the HLC visitation team was sent out in Dr. Rael's behalf at 4:02 p.m. on Thursday, along with a response. The official response to the HLC report from the president will be coming due July 10th, and the hearing with the HLC panel will be happening August 12 and 13, in Chicago.
 - There was much discussion about the president's bulleted two-page response to the HLC report. A forum is to be scheduled in the next week to provide an opportunity for feedback directly to the president.
 - Notes on the discussion:
 - An anonymous feedback form would serve well in this instance, as staff feel they have no job security should honest responses be offered.
 - It was suggested that maybe HR could work on Wording of Annual Contracts so that staff do not feel they are held hostage to them

- The “Linking Up with Luna” event provided and led the way for other members of Luna to expand to the community and it lead to the nursing connections to be able to help at the homeless shelters
- A member stated that the Baseball team regularly went into the community to represent LCC at the schools
- Francisco represented STEM & LCC at the schools with STEM activities
- About the Luna Light—why was there only one double-diploma achievers represented? Melissa noted that there were two from Mora (Maria Elena Martinez, who earned a Gen Ed Certificate and Mikah Lovato, who earned an Allied Health Cert., both in addition to their HS Diplomas) and one from Pecos (Kendra Flores). Jesse Gallegos will be contacted to see if he was aware of them, and maybe could represent them in later issues.
- b. Other Reports—Evelyn Montoya** presented the letter of resignation that Amanda Ortiz submitted. Amanda tearfully read it aloud to the group, and then the group expressed their feelings on her resignation and commended her for achievements and dedication to both SAS and Shared Governance ~~Chair~~.

VII. Old Business

- a. SAS Elections:** SAS briefly reviewed the nominations thus far—only 2 were acceptable, 3 others were nominated by someone not in the group they belonged to, so the nominations were not valid. Pres. Ortiz will send one last email for responses before close of day tomorrow, Friday, May 31, 2019. Note: even though the memberships have changed since Parity was implemented, it was decided that elections will proceed as planned, with members representing the group under which they were listed in the posted group listing.
- b. By-laws – discussion:** as there was little input on the online Google docs towards the by-laws, it was suggested to table the discussion until July. Motion made by Evelyn Montoya, was seconded by Melissa Cordova, and motion passed by vote.
- c. 4-day work week Summer proposal—**considerable interest was generated on this topic, but as it is now too late to be considered, this was also tabled. Francina made the motion, Evelyn seconded, and then the votes passed it.
- d. Budget Wrap-up:** A July BAR will need to be generated to move monies for the next fiscal year, as staff stipends and monies for spending has been allocated. Regrets were expressed because of the cancellation of all of the end of the semester and students BBQ’s.

VIII. (skipped on Agenda)

- IX. Other Business:** Amanda will pass the binders, jump drives, etc. to Francina for safekeeping until the Staff Senate elections are complete.
- X. Time/date of next meeting:** Will be at 3:00 p.m. in Evelyn’s office area, on June 3, 2019.
- XI. Adjournment** was called, motioned by Evelyn Montoya, seconded by Francina Martinez—passed by vote.