Academic Senate
Grossmont College
Minutes of the Meeting – January 19th, 2006

PRESENT: Beth Smith (President); Bonnie Schmiege (Vice President); Victoria Howitt (Senate Officer at Large); Craig Milgrim (Senate Officer at Large); Tina Young (Administration of Justice); Jennifer Carmean (ASL); Suda House, Paul Turoune (Art); Teresa Jacob, Gregg Robinson (Behavioral Sciences); Virginia Dudley, Michael Golden (Biological Sciences); (Business Administration); Linda Snider, Mark Pressnall (Business Office Technology); Rick Kirby, Don Ridgeway (Cardiovascular Technology); Tom Olmstead (Chemistry); Lorraine Martin for Mary Courtney, Sheridan Dewolf (Child Development); Joel Castellaw (Communication); Diane Mayne-Stafford (Computer Science); Mary Rider, Debbie Lim, Renee Tuller (Counseling); Tom Gamboa (Cross Cultural Studies); Joe Orate, Evan Enowitz (Culinary Arts); Jane Nolan, Scott Barr (Disabled Student Services); (Dance); Mark Goodman, Tim Cliffe, Chris Hill (Earth Sciences); Gary Phillips, Julie Cardenas, Linda Mitchell, Stephanie Mood, (English); Virginia Berger, Nancy Herzfeld-Pipkin, Chuck Passentino (ESL); (EOPS); Jim Symington, Laura Burger (Exercise Science and Wellness); Carmen Hernandez (Foreign Language); (History); (International Business); (Library); Nemie Capacita, Jeff Waller (Math); William Snead (Media Communications); (Music); (Nursing); Valerie Plummer (Occupational Therapy); David Milroy, Raul Sandelin (PartTime Representatives); Zoe Close, Bill Hoaglin (Philosophy, Humanities & Religious Studies); Ross Cohen (Physics, Astronomy, & Physical Sciences); (Political Economy); Lorenda Seibold-Phalan (Respiratory Therapy); Craig Everett (Theatre Arts).

ABSENT: P.J.Oertmeier, Lance Parr (Administration of Justice); Jim Wilsterman (Art); Israel Cardona, (Behavioral Sciences); Dave Wertelieb (Biological Sciences); Judith Zander, Brian Keliher (Business Administration); Jeff Lehman (Chemistry); Sheri Guseman (Communication); Clifton Quinn (Computer Science); Kathy Meyer (Dance); Qais Sako (English); Sylvia Montejano (EOPS); Karen Caires (Exercise Science and Wellness); Ruth F. Konopka (Foreign Language); Carlos Contreras, Devon Hansen (History); Priscilla Rogers (International Business); Michelle Blackman (Library); Peg Hovde, Susan Working (Math); Evan Wirig (Media Communications); Steve Baker, Fred Benedetti, Derek Cannon (Music); Nancy Tendal (Nursing); Dennis Collins (Physics, Astronomy, & Physical Sciences); Will Cummings, Brian Jennings (Political Economy); Beth Mallette (Theatre Arts).

GUESTS: Joan Ahrens, Faculty – English
Shina Alagia, Faculty
Mel Amov, Faculty
Patrice Braswell-Burris, Counselor
Johannes Bruestle, Faculty
James Canady, Counselor
Dean Colli, Vice President, Academic Affairs & Acting President, Grossmont College
Gay Cox, Faculty
Michelle Cuozzo, Staff – Risk Management & Benefits
Jennifer Denney, Faculty
Jorge DeSaracho, Counselor
Tony Ding, Faculty
Joyce Sake, Faculty
Leonel Sanchez – Reporter, Union Tribune
Ken Sobel – GC Foundation President
Edda Temoche-Wedele, Faculty
James Tobert, Counselor
Jenny Vanden-Enyden, Faculty
Theresa Weedon, Faculty
Lisa Wood, Faculty
Debbie Yaddow, Faculty
June Yang, Faculty
Bonnie Yoshida, Faculty

RECORDER: Tasa Campos

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

M/S/U Olmstead/Phillips

B. Approval of Minutes

December 5, 2005 meeting minutes will be approved at the Senate meeting on January 30th due to today being a special meeting.

II. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Beth started out by thanking everyone for all of the support she has received. It has been very helpful and wonderful. Beth then discussed the current situation of communication by way of letters to the press and in-house emails. The group discussed other alternatives. Beth asked everyone to thank the Academic Senate Senators and all the hard work they did over the winter break. Bonnie, Craig and Victoria were given a round of applause. Beth also shared that Ken Sobel, President of the Grossmont College Foundation would be giving a brief presentation at today’s meeting.

Beth shared that there are some committee vacancies for faculty. Please contact her or one of the senators if you are interested.

Interim Presidential Search
The Interim Presidential search has begun and hopefully an interim will be in place by the middle of February. Until, there is an interim in place, Dean Colli, Vice President of Academic Affairs will be the acting president.

**Permanent Presidential Search**

The Senate will need to decide on three representatives from the group to sit on the Permanent Presidential Search Hiring Committee. A decision will need to be made before the end of today’s meeting. Ben Lastimado, Vice Chancellor – Human Resources & Labor Relations sent Beth the following search committee model:

- Grossmont Academic Senate 3 members
- United Faculty 1 member
- CSEA 1 member
- Administrator's Association 1 member
- Classified Senate 1 member
- Grossmont College Foundation 1 member
- Community at Large 2 member
- District Representatives 2 members
- ASGC 1 member

The group discussed the hiring committee model and the process of selecting the members. A variety of ideas were presented. It was agreed the group would return to the subject of selection at the end of the meeting.

Ken Sobel, of the Grossmont Foundation, gave a brief presentation on the role the Foundation will have in the presidential hiring search process. The Foundation will be recommending a total of five names for the search committee; three from the Foundation Board and two from the community. He shared the Foundation will be working on a Capitol Campaign that could possible bring $10 to $20 million to the campus.

**III. ACTION ITEMS**

No action items at this time.
IV. INFORMATION ITEMS

Resolution Thanking Dr. Ted Martinez, Jr. – Attachment #1

The group reviewed and discussed the resolution thanking Dr. Martinez. Beth stated she was hoping to have this decided on today in order to present the resolution to Dr. Martinez tomorrow night at the "Salute to Dr. Martinez" dinner.

A motion was made to suspend the rules and move this item to action.

M/S/U Milroy/Howitt

The group continued to review the item making some changes and additions to the document.

A motion was made to approve the resolution with the suggested changes.

M/S/U Milgrim/Nolan.

Resolution of No Confidence in the Board Asking for Resignations – Attachment #2

Attachment #2, Resolution of No Confidence in the Board Asking for Resignations was reviewed by overhead. The group discussed the resolution.

A motion was made to suspend the rules and move the resolution to action.

M/S/F Olmstead/Tuller

The motion failed.

The group continued to discuss the resolution and the variety of options and outcomes. Some of the department chairs stated they would need to take the resolution back to their faculty to review and discuss before they could make any decisions regarding the resolution.

Resolution Asking for Resignations of Chancellor Omero Suarez and Vice Chancellors Jim Austin and Ben Lastimado – Attachment #3

Attachment #3, Resolution Asking for resignations of Chancellor Omero Suarez and Vice Chancellors Jim Austin and Ben Lastimado was reviewed by overhead.

The group discussed different options the senate has besides the resolution. The group presented a variety of ideas and alternatives. The discussion was
emotional and there was some confusion regarding the facts. The resolution will be taken back to the departments and presented to the faculty.

Due to the senate needing to determine three representatives to sit on the Presidential Hiring Search Committee by the end of today’s meeting, the discussion regarding the resolution was ended.

Resolution Providing Direction to the Senate Representatives on the District Allocation Task Force – Attachment #4

Due to lack of time, this item was not discussed.

V. OTHER

Beth requested any ideas on how to determine the three candidates to sit on the Presidential Hiring Search Committee. Some of the ideas were to have a random draw, have the SOC decide, or to have volunteers. Beth asked for a count of interested volunteers and there were approximately twelve interested faculty members.

A motion was made to select Beth Smith, Tom Olmstead, and Curtis Stevens.

M/ Milgrim

There was no second.

The motion failed.

A motion was made to have Beth Smith be one representative on the committee and to have an open election through ballot in order to determine the other two representatives.

M/S/U Kirby/Goodman

The following names were nominated:

Sue Jensen – English Accepted

Curtis Stevens – LRC Accepted

Gregg Robinson – Psychology Declined

Scott Barr – Counseling Accepted

Tom Olmstead – Chemistry Accepted

Mary Rider – Counseling Accepted

Tom Gamboa – Cross Cultural Studies Declined
Bill Hoaglin – Philosophy Accepted

Edda Temoche-Wedele – Foreign Lang Accepted

Ben Newkirk – Psychology Accepted

A motion was made to accept the nominations.

M/S/U Kirby/Milgrim

Beth reminded the group that only official Senators could place a vote. The ballots were collected and counted. The two names of the elected representatives are Sue Jensen and Curtis Stevens.

The three representatives of the Grossmont College Academic Senate on the permanent Presidential Hiring Search Committee for Grossmont College are Beth Smith, Sue Jensen and Curtis Stevens. The names will be submitted to Ben Lastimado.

Beth thanked everyone for their attendance and input at today’s meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

*The next meeting will be January 30th, in the Grossmont College Griffin Gate.*