**The De Anza Academic Senate**

**Approved Notes from the Meeting of May 23rd, 2016**

**Senators and Officers present:** Bryant, Clem, Cruz, Deck, Delas, Dolen, Glasman, Hertler, Kragalott, Kalpin, Klingman, Langfelder, Lewis, Lewycky, Liu, Malek, Mello, Miskin, Pape, Setziol, Sullivan,

**Senators and Officers Absent** Donahue, Maynard, Schaffer, and Wethington

**DASB: FA Liaison:** Bob Stockwell

**Classified Senate:** Lorna Maynard

**Curriculum Co Chair:**

**Administrative Liaison**: Rowena Tomaneng

**Director of Diversity, Social Justice, and Multicultural Ed.:**

**Guests:** Lorrie Ranck, Brian Murphy

**[NOTE: Item numbers are reflective of agenda numbers in the order they are actually taken up at the meeting.]**

**College President Brian Murphy addressed the group with a request for a future discussion about potential Academic Senate and college responses to the possibility of the nomination and election of someone who opposes those aspects of the United States Constitution thought to be central to the well being of a diverse society.**

**The meeting was called together at 2:33, a quorum being present.**

**I. Welcome and Mindfulness Activity or Call in Practice:** Cruz distributed a “connect the dots” activity which was aimed at “thinking out of the box” and contemplation before response. The group participated in the exercise and there was a brief discussion afterwards.

**II. Adoption of Agenda and Approval of Notes:** The agenda was approved as distributed. The notes of the meeting of May 16th were approved as distributed.

**III. Needs and Confirmations:** None

**IV. Public Comment:** None

**V. Consent Agenda: A) Cross Listing Taskforce Description:** A brief discussion aimed at answering questions was held. There were questions about the makeup of the committee and the fact that the three faculty at large spots were specified to be from three particular divisions. This raised concerns about the potential perspective of the group as a whole being slanted towards those particular divisions. After hearing reassurance that the work of this group would not present a “done deal” the description was approved without objection.

**VI. Discussion/Information:**

**A** **Recommendation to adopt Canvas:** In addition to a continuation of the positive comments heard when the idea of adopting Canvas as the college’s new course management system, there were several questions, primarily about cost. Preliminarily, Lorrie Ranck reiterated that adoption would be no cost and said that future costs were unknown at the present time since the state funding is one time so far. Changes sought for De Anza specifically are not contemplated for two reasons, One, because the system is very flexible and Two, because De Anza would be joining a statewide network housed off site and changes would be statewide changes. In that scenario, the cost is more likely to be payed through state funding.

**B.** **Textbook Affordability/Open Educational Resources Update:** Cruz reported that a faculty coordinator and a consultant are still being sought and that efforts to identify and install them are ongoing and necessary if De Anza is going to get state support for the effort.

**VII. Good of the Order and Appreciations:** - Setziol urged the Senators coming to the social event at his residence to pay special attention to the last part of the directions for safety reasons.

- Graduation caps and gowns are now available

- De Anza’s newly energized Umoja program is underway. Cruz invited the Senator to be supportive and to go and get familiar with it.

- Cruz again distributed cards announcing and promoting upcoming Canvas introduction events.

**The meeting was adjourned at 3:27 PM. to make way for the annual celebration of newly tenured faculty.**