

**Academic Senates' Reports to the LRCCD Board of Trustees  
December 2022**

**District Academic Senate (DAS) President, Alisa Shubb, Reports:**

- Highlights of the DAS work this semester have been:
  - Collaborating on draft Regulation -2212 (Special Admit & Dual Enrollment Students).
  - Chartering a faculty-led task group to recommend criteria for establishing optimal class sizes through an equity practitioner framework.
  - Chartering a faculty-led task group to explore noncredit in Los Rios.
  - Providing feedback on the District Strategic Planning process.
  - Working with LRCFT to incorporate equity-minded professional learning as a required portion of college service hours.
- In 2019, the DAS passed a resolution [Creating Accountability for Collegial Consultation on Academic and Professional Matters](#) which, in the 3rd resolved, urged continued work between the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor of Education & Technology (now Deputy Chancellor) and DAS to develop and implement a system of mutual accountability with clear and measurable criteria to ensure consistent collegial consultation on academic & professional matters. The final resolved recommends that the DAS Executive Council (the 5 Academic Senate Presidents) provide a report at least once a semester documenting the status of collegial consultation between the Chancellor's Office & DAS using the mutually agreed upon criteria. Recognizing that mutually agreed upon criteria have not yet been established, the DAS Executive Council prepared the following assessment report:

<b>(District) Issue</b>	<b>Connection to 10 +1</b>	<b>Communication Method</b>	<b>Outcome (if applicable)</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
<b>Convocation F22 modality</b>	#8. Policies for faculty professional development activities	DAS President initiated phone calls with Deputy Chancellor during summer	Modality changed from mandatory on-ground to a remote option	No formal consultation
<b>District Strategic Plan</b>	#10 Processes for institutional planning	Presentation of materials & discussions at Chancellor's Cabinet	Ongoing	Moderate consultation
<b>Strategic Enrollment Management Plan</b>	#10 Processes for institutional planning	Informed through BOT reports	Ongoing	No consultation

<b>Dual Enrollment Regulation draft</b>	#4 Educational program development & #5 Standards or policies regarding student preparation & success	Collaboration with a DESC sub-committee, vetting with DESC, Presentations & discussion at DAS, College Academic Senate vetting, recommendation sought at Chancellor's Cabinet	At the November Chancellor's Cabinet, additional time was requested and granted for recommendation of draft regulation. Will return to Dec Cabinet seeking recommendation. DAS voted unanimously to support draft R-2212 on 12/6	Good consultation
<b>Practices regarding the reporting (or not) of hate speech/graffiti on campuses</b>	#5 Standards or policies regarding student preparation & success	unknown	unknown	No consultation
<b>Process for Interim President Appointments</b>	#10 Processes for institutional planning	Verbal discussion with AS leadership and Chancellor	Faculty are not required to be included in impressions for interim college presidents	Minimal consultation
<b>Faculty Hiring allocations</b>	Within faculty hiring & #10 Processes for institutional planning & budget development	Information disseminated verbally from Deputy Chancellor to AS Presidents	0 allocations for faculty in 2022-23. Critical hiring can be done as needed according to narrowly defined categories:1) outside accreditation, 2) program continuance	No consultation
<b>CRC emergency remote instruction decision</b>	#5 Standards or policies regarding student preparation & success	CRC Leadership Meeting	CRC moved to entirely remote for 4 academic/business days	Some local consultation regarding final day
<b>Faculty Diversity Internship Program status</b>	Within faculty hiring	DAS President initiated discussion with Executive Vice Chancellor	Program put "on pause" for 2023-24	No formal consultation

For information about academic senate activities at the district, college, or state level please use the following links:

- [District Academic Senate \(DAS\)](#)
- [ARC Academic Senate](#)
- [CRC Academic Senate](#)

- [FLC Academic Senate](#)
- [SCC Academic Senate](#)
- [Academic Senate of California Community Colleges \(ASCCC\)](#)

### **ARC Academic Senate President, Carina Hoffpauir, Reports:**

- Recent topics at ARC's Academic Senate have included reaffirmation of our Strategic Goals, reports from our ARC Bias Response and Employee Onboarding project teams, implementation of Guided Pathways through HomeBases, and academic and professional impacts related to COVID protocols.

### **CRC Academic Senate President, Scott Crosier, Reports:**

- Despite the terrorist threat and subsequent campus closure, the faculty and staff at CRC continue to provide our highest support in helping our students complete another semester at CRC.
- The Academic Senate Exec Team recognizes and appreciates Dr. Bush's efforts to include the senate leadership in some of the decision making processes regarding the campus closure and reopening.
- CRC Academic Senate has recently passed a resolution addressing the need for additional resources and support as we provide accessible learning environments for our students.

### **FLC Academic Senate President, Eric Wada, Reports:**

- The FLC Academic Senate will be nominating Dr. Tami Cheshire for the ASCCC Hayward Award for Excellence in Education for her demonstrated equity-minded leadership at FLC, in Los Rios, and at the state level. We have been reviewing the district dual enrollment regulations with the interests of equity, student success, and academic freedom in mind. We recently reviewed our college's SEAP plan. We recently made a recommendation that our college finds funds to continue to use our SLO and department planning/program review software platform.
- Many members of the Academic Senate and other faculty participated in the impressions sessions for our next college president. We look forward to working with Dr. Art Pimentel. We thank Dr. Rachel Rosenthal for her service as Interim President this busy semester.
- We wish to extend our best wishes to Melanie Dixon who many of us at FLC fondly remember when she started in Los Rios as Dean of Student Success. Many of our equity-focused programs and structures that exist today are credited to Melanie's skills and knowledge as an effective and collaborative leader.

## SCC Academic Senate President, Sandra Guzmán, Reports:

- Senate and LRCFT leadership met with our Professional Development and Equity leads to discuss Equity Minded Faculty Learning, assess what we are currently offering and areas for growth or continued improvement. We will include affinity group input, such as the Black Faculty and Staff Association (BFSA) and Comunidad in our PD planning and offerings.
- The college hosted a luncheon celebration honoring our recently-hired tenure-track and recently-tenured faculty, Fall 2020 through Fall 2022. Honorees included faculty from every division at the college, including our New Faculty Academy alums.
- Congratulations to Kim Goff (classified staff) and Tracey Gomez (Faculty Coordinator) who are being recognized by the *College Futures Foundation*, for their adaptive and equity-focused holistic student support.
- Our Senate has voted for action to be taken in support of Women's reproductive rights. We ask Chancellor King to issue a statement in support of the CCC State Chancellor's and our statements regarding the Dobbs decision. We ask Chancellor King to forward the statement from the California Community College State Chancellor's office to each campus and our Board of Trustees