Academic Senates' Reports to the LRCCD Board of Trustees March 2023

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

- DAS is in the process of gathering input from each College Academic Senate in order to make a recommendation to the District Educational Technology Committee (DETC) about when to reset the District's online proctoring service Proctorio. This reset will disable features that are invasive to student privacy.
- DAS discussed local College-level approaches to determining Equivalency to Minimum Qualifications that align with ASCCC recommendations. College Academic Senates are discussing possible approaches at their meetings.
- DAS continues to have productive discussions on:
 - priority registration possibilities for learning communities students (ex: Umoja, Puente, PRISE, Pride, Rising Scholars)
 - o updating Los Rios Regulation 3212 (Participatory Governance/Academic Senate)
 - operationalizing Equity-minded Professional Learning as a mandatory component of College Service
- DAS urges District leadership to work with DAS and ASB leadership in initiating a student-centered process of revising District attendance policies and regulations (P-2222 & R-2222). We contend that current policy & regulations are creating disparities between asynchronous and synchronous learning classes, and contribute to inequitable outcomes for our students who experience more attendance challenges due to transportation, mental and physical health, employment, and familial responsibility challenges. Since revision of this policy & regulation has the potential to affect all stakeholders, DAS leadership hopes for robust discussion on this item at the March Chancellor's Cabinet.

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

- o <u>District Academic Senate (DAS)</u>
- o ARC Academic Senate
- o <u>CRC Academic Senate</u>
- o FLC Academic Senate
- o SCC Academic Senate
- o Academic Senate of California Community Colleges (ASCCC)

ARC Academic Senate President, Carina Hoffpauir, Reports:

 Recent discussions at ARC's Academic Senate have included updates on ARC HomeBases implementation, the plan for incorporating ARC community feedback in the Strategic Planning process, upcoming legislative impacts to Curriculum with AB 928 (Cal-GETC), support for AB 705/1705 local implementation in English, ESL, and Math, and equityminded approaches to our Senate proceedings and rules of order.

CRC Academic Senate President, Scott Crosier, Reports:

- CRC will be starting a series of campus-wide conversations entitled "Where do we go from Here?" to further discuss the good that has resulted from the past several years and the course corrections that we would like to see.
- CRC will be holding their long-anticipated celebration for a successful reaffirmation of our accreditation on April 21st.
- The CRC Academic Senate is considering ways to engender a more welcoming environment by removing the formality and/or vocabulary that some might find confusing or discouraging.

FLC Academic Senate President, Eric Wada, Reports:

- By a split vote, FLC's academic senate has affirmed our college's strategic plan. We note
 that the goals and methods to indicate achievement for the college plan were defined at
 the district level by administration and research offices. We recommend early and
 frequent faculty involvement in developing goals, indicators of achievement, and
 strategies because they are parts of institutional planning.
- We are finalizing our elections for the 2023-25 term and reviewing/editing our constitution and by-laws.

SCC Academic Senate President, Sandra Guzmán, Reports:

- Senate is reviewing the strategic enrollment management goals and strategies developed by College Council.
- Senate worked with Executive Council to update our Participatory Governance Guide for SCC.
- We look forward to Presidential Impressions groups later this month.
- In March, Senate will review requests to form new departments.
- We nominated Math Professor, Karla Rojas, for the ASCCC Stroud Diversity Award.