



Butte-Glenn Community College District
3536 Butte Campus Drive
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COLLEGE COUNCIL

November 14, 2023 | 8:00 a.m.

NOTES

Members Present: Denise Adams, Alan Burwell, Irma Gonzalez Cuadros, Virginia Guleff, Cole Militano, Oscar Perez, Erik Shearer, Andy Suleski, Jess Vickery, Chris Westbay, Brad Zuñiga

Members Absent: Tray Robinson

1. Constituent Group Feedback on AP 4027 – Catalog Rights

Academic Senate President Vickery reported that Academic Senate discussed AP 4027, Catalog Rights, but had no feedback. MSC Co-Chair Adams reported that the MSC group also reviewed AP 4027. Based on their input she recommended clarifying that online courses count toward determining continuous attendance. Classified Senate President Westbay reported that Classified Senate had no feedback on AP 4027. Vice President Shearer indicated that he received feedback from Counseling about past practice that allowed students to split catalog rights between GE requirements and their major requirements. Students will still be able to submit a petition to waive or substitute classes, which offers a comparable solution.

Academic Senate President Vickery moved to approve AP 4027. MSC Co-Chair Adams seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Strategic Plan Update

President Guleff explained that she plans to send the strategic plan to the Board of Trustees for a first read at the December meeting and approval at the January meeting. She reported on the October board retreat, and the activities the board undertook with respect to the strategic plan. To College Council she provided information about Vision 2030, noting that its three goals align with the student-centered funding formula. Our strategic plan serves as a bridge between Butte College and Vision 2030, which has several strategic directions, one of which is called “the future of learning.” It provides direction about how community colleges should engage with generative AI and data analytics. President Guleff recommended adding AI and the use of technology to the strategic plan as one of the four foundations (in addition to DEIA², Guided Pathways, and sustainability). College Council discussed including AI and technology in the strategic plan and how to refer to technological innovation in an encompassing way.

President Guleff noted that the college’s strategic plan development process primarily focused on planning – defining the actions to be taken. She presented the concept that a plan is not a strategy and reported that during the retreat, the Board did a series of activities aimed at developing a strategic theory. They identified a strategic theory of “First Contact. First Choice. Best Choice.” College Council discussed the concept at length, as well as the idea that adopting a strategy means accepting a level of angst and risk. Members noted that the theory the Board reached is applicable not just to recruitment but to many areas of the college’s work. It also aligns with the student-centered funding formula.

President Guleff provided examples of the strategic plan design. After the document is approved, the next step is to determine where and how the work will be undertaken. Progress tracking and monitoring will be led by Institutional Research.