

OCC Academic Senate Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 22, 2024, 12:30-1:30 PM, College Center 227 & Zoom

Minutes Approved on October 29, 2024

E-Board Members in Attendance: President Rendell Drew, Vice President Lee Gordon, Secretary and PDI Chair Marilyn Kennedy.

E-Board Members Absent: Curriculum Chair and Parliamentarian Lori Pullman.

Guests: Irene Naesse.

I. Preliminary Matters

(Please note that the Presiding Officer's vote shall be recorded as an abstention, unless breaking a tie vote.)

- A. Call to Order: President Drew called the meeting to order at 12:34 p.m.
- **B.** Public Comments: Lee Gordon.
- C. <u>Approval of the Minutes</u>: *Motion 1: Secretary Kennedy moved to approve the October 15, 2024, minutes; minutes approved.*
- D. <u>Executive Board Member Reports:</u> Secretary Kennedy reported to the E-Board that because the Senate meeting was dedicated to remembering Professor Emeritus Dennis Kelly, she was unable to report to the Senate on an important issue from the BPAP Committee meeting last week which is related to some proposed language changes to the AP 6400 Audits.

Currently, the District has an *independent* internal auditor who receives reports or concerns that are related to District fraud, abuse, ethics, waste, conflicts of interest, misuse of District resources, etc., and these reports can be made anonymously or not. The proposed language seems to block the independent internal auditor from investigating issues that may involve personnel-related issues. Secretary Kennedy stated at the BPAP meeting that issues about fraud and abuse usually overlap with both people *and* processes; they are not separate. She was told that people issues are HR and process issues are internal-audit related. Additionally, Secretary Kennedy asked why it appeared HR would be excluded from the internal audit process and she was advised that HR issues would be investigated by HR, and if HR determined that there was a problem, they would report that HR issue to the Chancellor or someone who reports to the Chancellor. Secretary Kennedy expressed concerns that if faculty had HR concerns, this would result in an HR internal self-investigation, appearing less transparent. She stated that she would bring this issue to her faculty constituents for feedback on what they would like her to do.

II. Discussion of Upcoming Agenda Items

- <u>A. Future Meeting Agenda</u>: October 29: Regular and Substantive Interaction, BPAP report, focused on **AP 6400**, Faculty House update, IPC Handbook with updated revisions.
- **B.** Consent Calendar Items: Andy Stuart will be added to the Senate Consent Agenda for the Transparency Committee.

III. Adjournment:

President Drew adjourned the meeting at 12:54 p.m.