Roxbury Community College

Acuerdo

Minutes of the meeting on October 11, 2013

Present: President Roberson,

VP Brenda Mercomes, Administrative Assembly Representative,

Michelle Howard-Harrell, Curriculum Committee Chair,

Sterling Giles, Academic Policy Chair,

Elizabeth Clark, MCCC Professional Staff,

Barbara Savage, Faculty Assembly Co-Chair,

Priscilla Bolte, Health Science Faculty member, and

Javad Moulai (Secretary).

1. Meeting convened at 11:35 AM.

2. Minutes of the April 2013 meeting had been sent electronically. They were approved.

3. Sterling Giles presented the new Acuerdo document. President Roberson will send a note to ask the other assemblies to be active in Acuerdo again and identify representatives. Faculty assembly has received the draft governance document. Request was made to Faculty Assembly to consider it again in its November meeting. Other assemblies should be active and are asked to vote on the new Acuerdo document.

4. Faculty participation in the faculty assembly and Acuerdo committee meetings were discussed. It was suggested that when faculty report that they participated in those meetings, their statement can be checked against the attendance. It was suggested that attendance sheets should go to the division deans.

5. The mechanism of approval of offering of blended courses was discussed. A proposal voted on in the October meeting of Mathematics Department was read. Questions were brought up that included:

Should a different mode of delivery of instruction for an already existing course go through the same process as a new course?

Should academic departments be allowed to weigh in on the offering of blended courses?

How blended course will be evaluated?

6. It was mentioned that students as well as faculty need more education on the implications of “blended sections”.

7. Curriculum Committee will examine policies related to blended courses.

8. It was announced that the Student Trustee will attend Acuerdo and represent RCC Student Assembly on Acuerdo.

9. Meeting adjourned at 12:50PM.

Respectfully submitted by Javad Moulai

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