Relations with Local Senates Committee

DATE: Wednesday September 6, 2023
TIME: 1:00pm – 2:30pm

CONFERENCE CALL INFORMATION
Join Zoom Meeting
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Relations with Local Senates Committee Charge: The Relations with Local Senates (RwLS) Committee serves to augment the work of the Executive Committee. The committee is interested in cultivating and maintaining a climate where equity and mutual respect are both intrinsic and explicit by valuing individuals and groups from all backgrounds, demographics, and experiences. Its overall purpose is to provide an opportunity to share local and state challenges, exemplary practices, and other information with the Executive Committee. In order to accomplish its overall mission, the RwLS members are conversant with and promote pertinent statutes and strategies for effective and inclusive academic senates. The RwLS will assess the needs of local leaders in order to provide resources needed to participate effectively in governance at the local level.

Meeting Summary

Meeting Started at 1:03pm

1) Call to Order and Roll Call (*in attendance)

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<td>Maria-José Zeledón-Pérez– 2nd Chair*</td>
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2) Welcome and Introductions/Ice breakers.
- The chair welcomed the members to our first meeting. As an icebreaker all members were asked to introduce themselves, share the various roles they hold, their college and college mascot and answered an icebreaker prompt.
- The chair shared that he and the committee’s second chair are here to help facilitate the work of the committee, but it is “our” committee not one persons’ work.
- The committee also reviewed the committee’s charge statement and purpose for work.
- The chair reminded the group that we will conduct our work around consensus and not be a “voting” body.
- The chair also checked with all members to confirm preferred email address for future committee communication.

3) ASCCC Mission and Vision
- The chair shared ASCCC mission and vision statements. As this committee is a standing committee of ASCCC Executive Committee we must be sure to keep our recommendations and work within our stated purview.
4) **Community Agreements**
- The chair shared a document to aid the committee in beginning a conversion on possible committee community agreements.
- It is asked of committee members to review some of these suggested agreements and to be prepared during our next meeting to formalize and recommend our own version of community agreements to not stifle our work, but to ensure all voices are welcome and heard in our conversations and deliberations with authentic participation.

5) **Procedural**
- **Adoption of Agenda** - The chair shared the format for our agendas and the resources that will be attached
- **Process of Minutes and committee review expectations** - after each meeting a copy of the draft meeting summary will be sent to all members and given a week to review. If there are recommendations for needed edits, please forward them to the chair within a week. After a week, the summary will be considered adopted and will be published on our committee website and shared with the ASCCC Executive committee.
- **RwLS Committee Page** - the chair shared our committee page with the group and additional resources on the ASCCC website
- **Shared Committee Google Folder** - the committee will have a shared folder for this year’s work. All members will be able to add and edit content. There is currently a folder for agenda and minutes; a resolution tracking document, a brainstorming draft document for possible Rostrum articles or suggested presentation topics, and the community agreements brainstorming document.

6) **Establish Schedule of Standing Monthly Meetings** - The committee shared typical available meeting times. There seems to be a consensus around 2nd and/or 4th Mondays early afternoon. The chair will review the calendar and offer availability to create a FALL 2023 meeting schedule. The chair also affirmed that it may be hard to have everyone fully at all meetings and that if any member needs to leave early or arrive late, that it is very acceptable and that the chair will be available for any individual conversation to support.

7) **Assigned Resolutions Tracking Document** - Discussion: The chair shared some of the assigned resolutions for the committee, both with the committee tracking document, and with the search feature on the ASCCC website. The chair also updated the committee on the process of committee chairs documenting status updates directly on the website. In this discussion, the chair shared where we may be directed for our work, either from the passed and assigned resolutions, from the ASCCC strategic goals, and/or from direct request by the ASCCC President or Executive Director. Beyond the bullets below, the chair also provided an update on resolution S23 3.01 [In Support of Identifying and Addressing the Need for LGBTQIA+ Student Centers on All California Community College Campuses](#)
- Some of the work asked for by this resolution is already being addressed by the research of the RP group and the $10million budget allocation in the state budget (repeated for next 3 years) to support colleges/districts with their LGBTQ+ centers/resources.
- Another possible task for the committee is creating a communication protocol for all our formal ASCCC liaisons and working with the ASCCC standing committees to provide predictable timing and content to all identified liaisons.
- Another part of our work is to help educate and promote the ASCCC resources such as local senate visits, Collegiality in Action visits, and the other various technical visits we can offer. - The chair shared with the committee how they can see an updated roster of all college visits as provided monthly on the ASCCC Executive Committee Agenda.
- **Local Senates Handbook Revision/Update?** - The chair mentioned that the ASCCC President has noticed some needed updates to the handbook and for the committee to possibly consider as a goal this year to provide an update or suggested plan to edit.
- **Resolution F22 01.05 – Elevating Faculty Voice Update** – [ASCCC President’s Update June 2023](#) - The chair shared the taskforce that is being constituted for the work to address this resolution. The chair
of RwLS is a member of this workgroup and will be providing updates to the committee as appropriate.

- **2022-2023 RwLS End of Year Report** - This report was shared with the committee. One of the committee members assigned to RwLS this year was on the previous year’s committee and offered some context for the work that was done last year as it was documented on the End-of-the-year report.

8) **ASCCC Fall 2023 Plenary**

- Possible Break Out Sessions Suggestions - The chair has submitted a suggested BO session on liaisons and supporting liaisons with local senates
- Who may be attending? - Some members of the committee are considering attending this fall’s plenary event.

9) **Announcements** - The chair shared the following upcoming opportunities and reminded the committee that ASCCC Executive committee meetings are open (unless there is a need for a ‘closed session’) but welcomed members to attend either in person or virtually. The chair shared ASCCC Executive Committee information about agendas and minutes from the ASCCC website. The chair encouraged all members to share these opportunities with their own colleges and other interested individuals.

- **Upcoming ASCCC Events**
  - Executive Committee Meeting – San Jose City college/San Jose Marriott – Sept. 15-16
  - Accreditation Institute – Sept. 29-30, 2023
  - CTE Collaborative Events & Regional Consortium – Orange Coast College – Sept 21, 2023
  - CTE Collaborative Events & Regional Consortium – South Central Coast – Oct. 6, 2023
  - Executive Committee Meeting – Virtual – Oct. 13, 2023
  - Area Meetings – Friday, October 27, 2023
  - Executive Committee Meeting – Nov. 15, 2023
  - **Fall 2023 Plenary** – Westin South Coast Plaza Nov. 16-18, 2023

10) **Future Agenda Topics**

- Possible Rostrum Articles (next submission is October 1, 2023)
- ASCCC Liaisons Support

11) **Group Debrief & Adjournment** - Meeting adjourned at 2:15pm

**Status of Previous Action Items**

A. In Progress

B. Completed