

THE COLLEGE SENATE OF PIEDMONT VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Meeting No. 1

September 5, 2003

Meeting number one of The College Senate of Piedmont Virginia Community College was held Friday, September 5, 2003.

Senators Present

J. W. Albright	Jane Kingston	Tracy Cersley	David Lerman
Kit Decker	Michael Maldony	Lee Fargo	Martha McKenna
Brian Flick	Marie Melton	John Hancock	Pat O'Rourke
Patricia Franklin	Angel Sims	Cliff Haury	Ben Sloan
Kathy Hudson	Ann Smith	Tom Hyder	

Senators Absent

Linda Crosby
David Moyer

Alternates Present

Frank Lovelock	Deborah Robbins
Bob Miller	Bruce Robinson
Audaz Molina	

Dr. Friedman welcomed all to the first meeting of the College Senate, stating that his role was to convene this meeting and preside over the officer elections. Pat Buck served as the secretary for this meeting. He noted that the Senate's creation was the result of a two-year process of the College Advisory Council. Based on the recommendation and the support of the college community, he approved its formation.

As an advisory body to the president, the Senate will provide shared governance in a formal manner, providing a true voice of the college for faculty, staff, and students. It will provide the opportunity for faculty, staff, and student leadership in two areas: recommending policies and procedures relating to the mission core of the college and addressing employee/student issues. The power of the Senate lies in its ability to be proactive in affecting policy and procedure. The president will also send issues to the Senate. The work of the Senate will not be easy; it may require extensive research into policies and procedures. It will be a stronger body if it provides input rather than merely criticizing after a decision is made.

Dialogue and communication are essential to the college. Dr. Friedman pledged his willingness to listen to and respect the input of the Senate.

The relationship of the Senate to FPA and PASS will be developed as the Senate develops. Dr. Friedman will continue to meet with and support those entities but issues are likely to be referred to the Senate. Dr. Friedman will meet monthly (as prescribed by the Senate's Bylaws) with the chair and assistant chair. He would be willing, and may prefer, to meet with the Executive Council, but that would be a decision made by the Senate.

The administration will call the first meetings of the Senate's six standing committees as usual. The membership list will be emailed to the college community in the next few days. The committees will continue to provide input on administrative issues to its supervising administrators. They will provide input regarding policies and procedures to the Senate. The Senate may look at the size of the standing committees to address the issue of faculty and staff committee service workload.

Dr. Friedman stressed that the college is a 12-month operation, and looks to the Senate for a recommendation on how it may continue to function during the summer months or at times when faculty are not in session.

Per the Bylaws, compensation is provided to the Senate Chair in recognition of the significant amount of work over and above one's normal workload. Since the semester has already begun, a monetary equivalent for faculty will be provided for fall semester. The compensation is three credits of release time per semester for faculty or the equivalent, \$2000 per semester.

The election results are as follows:

Chair	David Lerman
Assistant Chair	Kit Decker
2 At-Large	Michael Maldony
	The second at-large position was reserved for a student senator pending student elections
Secretary	Pat O'Rourke
Treasurer	Kathy Hudson
Parliamentarian	Tom Hyder

Chair Lerman conducted the rest of the meeting.

Staggered terms as chosen by the Senators are as follows:

ONE-YEAR	TWO-YEAR	THREE-YEAR
J. W. Albright	Linda Crosby	Tracy Cersley
Lee Fargo	Kit Decker	John Hancock
Brian Flick	Patricia Franklin	Cliff Haurly
David Moyer	Kathy Hudson	Michael Maldony
Ben Sloan	Tom Hyder	Martha McKenna
STUDENT	Jane Kingston	Marie Melton
STUDENT	David Lerman	Pat O'Rourke
STUDENT	Angel Sims	Ann Smith

A call for student senators will be placed in the *PVCC Weekly* and *The Forum*.

The next meeting of The College Senate is scheduled for October 10 at 2:45 p.m. Senators were asked to come prepared to discuss scheduling of Senate meetings and to tentatively hold November 14 at 2:45. Agenda items for the next meeting include: standing committees, an off-campus focus

group for the standing committees, meeting attendance requirements. It was also suggested that the Executive Committee meet with Dr. Friedman to discuss his possible agenda items.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Buck
Acting Secretary

David Lerman
Chair