

## **COE College Council meeting August 20, 2008 Summary**

Members present: Francisco Guajardo, Paul Villas, Karen Watt, Laura Saenz, Santiago Silva, Michael Guerrero, Alcione Ostorga, Hector Ochoa

- Santiago Silva, our new chair presented the concern over his eligibility as college council member due to his new position. The position is considered a non-tenure track faculty position in the clinical category. A discussion among the members followed and it was decided to seek for an amendment in the Council's By Laws because clinical positions will be increasing in the college and we believe clinical faculty should share governance along with tenure and tenure track. This amendment will be presented in the COE faculty meeting and will be voted on by the faculty following the normal electronic voting procedures.
- With the end of the 2007-2008 academic year, 2 departmental positions and one At Large position become vacant. Michael Guerrero ends his term and an announcement will be made at the COE meeting to explain nominating and voting procedures. Francisco Guajardo's representative of the Educational Leadership Department, and Laura Saenz' representative of the Educational Psychology Department are ending their respective terms and their positions will be filled following an election in their respective departments.
- Alcione ostorga asked that the Council do a presentation at the COE faculty meeting to summarize our accomplishments of the last year. It was decided that she and Francisco Guajardo would prepare a short presentation for the faculty.
- Francisco Guajardo suggested that the College and the Council be involved in the next legislative meeting of the county since important decisions will be made that will impact the state of k-12 education. He would like for the college's involvement to include a conference where community members and faculty would have the opportunity to voice their positions on issues being addressed and to present a final position document to the legislature. He would like to present this idea to the faculty during the COE meeting. The members of the council agreed with this initiative.
- The meeting was adjourned at 12:45. Next meeting will take place on October 7<sup>th</sup> 11:30.