

**TAFT COLLEGE SENATE-OF-THE-WHOLE**  
**Special Meeting**  
**MINUTES**

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023

**Call to Order:**

12:31 pm

**Attendees:**

Abbott, A.; Altenhofel, J.; Bledsoe, A.; Bogle, D.; Cahoon, N.; Chung-Wee, C.; Devine, B.; Duron, C.; Eveland, S.; Flachmann, C.; Getty, S.; Gonzalez, L.; Jacobi, V.; Lytle, S.; Martinez, M.; Mayfield, M.; Mendenhall, J.; Mendoza, T.; Oja, M.; Payne, R.; Raber, T.; Rangel-Escobedo, J.; Richards, K.; Rossi, M.; Smith, T.; Taylor, C

**Guest:**

McMurray, B.; Minor, L.

**Public Commentary:**

Mr. Brock McMurray (Interim Superintendent/President) gave an overview of Administrative Procedure (AP) 5011 and why it was essential for us to have a special meeting to get approval from the Academic Senate. Mr. McMurray stated that enrollment had been down. As a result, the institution has committed to strategies such as a more robust outreach program, counselors luncheons, and help build relationships with our local committee high schools and East Bakersfield.

Several high schools contacted Mr. McMurray regarding special admin after the counselors' luncheon. So, Mr. McMurray asked the student services to review the Ed code and our current administrative procedures to see if we could accommodate the high school's request. Student services conducted research and found that students can take up to 11 units in the fall and spring. Unfortunately, during the summer semester are AP 5011 only allowed five units to be taken during the summer semester.

Once it became clear that the high school students wanted to take multiple classes. The antiquated five-unit limit would hinder that possibility, so Mr. McMurray asked Dr. Sharyn Eveland if she could present a change to the AP 5011 and call a special meeting to revise and change the summer unit count from 5 to 9 units.

**Action Items:**

Revision of AP 5011 – Admission and Concurrent Enrollment of High School and Other Young Adults:

Dr. Christopher Chung-Wee asked a question about people who are homeschooled. Do they need official approval from the California Department of Education to be admitted to the institution? Dr. Chung-Wee further states that he wants to remove barriers so students can enroll as efficiently as possible.

Dr. Vicki Jacobi answered the question and stated that a homeschooled person needs a certifying body to be admitted to the college institution. Dr. Sharyn Eveland stated that the question cannot be answered now, but the Senate would do further research to verify the correct answer.

Dr. Michelle Oja asked that the language be clarified regarding County; she stated that it is a possibility the student may not be from Kern County.

Note: Dr. Sharyn Eveland asked that all language be reviewed and amended to the proper terminology and language as accurately as possible in future document integrations.

Mrs. Mariza Martinez, as a clarifying question regarding her daughter, stated that her daughter passed the qualifying exam for high school and wanted to know if she fell under special admin. Dr. Eveland stated she does not because she graduated from high school. Also, Ms. Martinez stated that we should do outreach to students who passed the qualifying exam

because many students had.

Mrs. Shelley Getty asked about the stricken paragraph Section 5 College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP), question 10. The paragraph has been stricken from the document; Mrs. Getty asked what the ramifications of the stricken paragraph. The Academic Senate president stated that of stricken because we no longer offer remedial courses. Dr. Eveland also stated that if we offered remedial classes in the high school, maybe we should leave the paragraph in the document.

Mr. Adam Bledsoe motioned to retain the document's Section 5, paragraph 10. Mrs. Ruby Payne seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

There are a few more questions regarding the document that were discussed; when there were no more questions. Mr. Bill Divine motioned to approve AP 5011 Admission and Concurrent Enrollment of High School and Other Young Adults. Dr.Chung-Wee seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 pm

Minutes submitted by Dr. Amar Abbott