

Senate report 11/22/24

Cuesta College Federation of Teachers

A. The 16-week semester proposal is moving through approval process, which is in order: CCFT membership vote, review by College Council and Planning/Budget, application to the CCCCCO (Chancellor's Office), and approval by Board of Trustees. We have contacted ASCCC but have not been invited to meet with their government council. Hopefully our first term of 16-weeks will be fall 2026 which is when Poly adopts their 16-week semester. We will likely try to align our calendars, but we don't know what exactly Poly has in mind. We will do what's best for Cuesta and possibly not completely match up with Poly.

B. Cuesta reported about 1,000 fraudulent enrollments to the CCCCCO in spring 2024, about 12% of our total headcount.

C. The CCCCCO is developing a new version of CCC Apply that will be more modern and less prone to fraudulent applications.

D. Divisions where no tenured FT faculty volunteer to be chair may have a FT faculty from outside of their division act as chair, or their dean will act as chair. Question: if there is something in the CBA if someone doesn't want to be chair, is there a mechanism to find someone before the dean would need to step up. Response, no there is not. The CBA should be updated in some areas regarding this.

E. The Scholarship Committee would love to have 4 senators to help review and score applications next month. It would take less than 2 hours and is a rewarding, fulfilling way to help our students