Overview – Shared Governance Taskforce (Spring Meetings)

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Subject: Overview of Spring Meetings

This document provides a brief summary of each of the spring taskforce sessions, and next steps for the summer and fall.

A. Orientation Meeting (2/24/26)

Session Summary: Members received a timeline of the taskforce's development history, developed group norms, and shared their key reflections in a "hopes and fears" discussion. The taskforce reviewed the charter, particularly the purpose and scope, and ranked the scope items in a prioritization exercise.

B. May Meeting #1 (5/5/26)

Session Summary: As pre-work, taskforce members shared perspectives on where they've seen effective and ineffective shared governance at PCC, and reviewed suggested reading for shared governance context.

In-session, the facilitator delivered an overview of shared governance concepts, including leadership competencies needed to sustain shared governance and the college's shared governance ecosystem. The taskforce participated in a shared governance case study activity and delivered feedback on PCC's existing draft definition of shared governance. Post-session, members delivered additional perspectives on the definition, as well as the taskforce's process for getting the work done.

C. May Meeting #2 (5/26/26)

Session Summary: Through an in-session activity, the taskforce generated perspectives on ideal shared governance outcomes, and corresponding impacts for students, within seven key topic areas: advising, curriculum, leadership, student support, instructional support, college operations, and finances.

Following the outcomes activity, the taskforce engaged in a directory exercise, examining context from a sampling of PCC's governance groups through a draft directory to begin reviewing the existing structure: determining strengths, overarching areas in need of improvement or alignment, and thoughts on the ideal information every group might have in a directory.

D. June Meeting (6/2/26)

Session Summary: In an opening exercise, the taskforce reviewed and refined the language from the previous outcomes discussion on 5/26, and selected the outcomes that best represent the above topic areas, recording finalized outcomes (which will be added to a ranking poll post-session and also used by a shared governance definition subgroup in their future work).

The taskforce then returned to the directory discussion, identifying key directory fields, and building and testing directory templates.

E. Next Steps

The taskforce will hold an in-person session on September 11th, and resume regular monthly meetings for the fall on September 29th. Through a subcommittee, the taskforce will also refine the draft definition of shared governance shared in the orientation.