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San Bernardino Valley College

Candidate-President, Academic Senate

I, Davena Burns-Peters, am running for my second elected term for the position of President of the Academic Senate. Much consideration and reflection led to my decision to run for a term that will determine my work and my schedule for another two years. I am confident in my purpose and desire to continue my service to the faculty of San Bernadino Valley College and the campus community at large.

I served as the Academic Senate Vice President in Fall 2020, a role that led me to unexpectedly assume the position of President in Spring 2021. A pandemic, campus closures, fully online instruction, and constant changes in executive leadership are just a few of the challenges to be navigated. I have represented faculty and advocated for their needs. I have successfully engaged in and facilitated collegial consultation and shared governance on multiple concerns related to academic and professional matters. I am proud of the successes to date and am committed to utilizing situations where success had not been realized to learn and strengthen my leadership.

A thorough understanding of the Academic Senate purview, known as the 10+1, academic and professional matters, and shared governance has allowed me to represent the interests of the faculty and student bodies fully and successfully with tangible results. A few successes include:

- Shepherding of the bachelor's degree application
- Restructuring of shared governance at the District
- Ensuring collegial consultation in student equity planning and implementation
- Advocating for and facilitating inclusive and intentional approach to educational master planning
- Supporting and guiding changes to AP7210 leading to improved hiring practices through the lens of equity

Consistency in leadership will be key to ensuring shared governance and protection of the faculty purview as we face a future filled with:

- New leadership
- Ongoing interim positions in leadership
- Implementation of student equity and educational master plans
- Legislative updates (AB928, AB1111, and more)
- Campus and state initiatives
- Changes in our governance structures on our campus,

I am proud of the contributions I have made to the improvements of our systems on campus, how I have represented the faculty body, and the guidance I have provided as it relates to the 10+1. The Academic Senate's purview, academic and professional matters, representation of the faculty body at large, and student access and success have been central to my efforts. Understanding the inner workings of our district, our campus, and the Academic Senate has allowed me to warmly demand change, patiently await results, and understand that the work takes time, but our ship is turning in the right direction. I would be honored to continue to serve the faculty body through the lens of equity, diversity, and inclusion in academic and professional matters.

Leadership Roles/Experience

- Academic Senate Senator-Fall 2015-Spring 2020
- Academic Senate Vice President-Fall 2020
- Academic Senate President-Spring 2021-current
- Faculty Co- Chair-Fall 2018-current
- Distance Education Faculty Co-Lead-Fall 2018-current
- **Co-Chair DE Committee**-Fall 2018-current
- Single Point of Contact for California Virtual Campus Consortium-Spring 2019-current
- Principle Investigator for CTE Online Pathways Grant-Fall 2019
- Single Point of Contact for SBVC Teaching College Onboarding-Spring 2023-current

Institutional Service

Campus and Advisory Committee Membership

- Curriculum Committee-Fall 2018-current
- President Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Anti-Racism Committee-Fall 2020-Fall 2023 (committee disbanded)
- Arts, Lectures, and Diversity Committee-Fall 2016-current
- Accreditation Committee-Fall 2022-current
- Academic Senate -Fall 2015-current
- Chancellor's Council- Fall 2021-current
- **District Assembly-**Spring 2020-Spring 2021 (DA restructured)
- Policies and Procedure Advisory Committee-Fall 2021-current
- Institutional Effectiveness Advisory Committee-Fall 2021-current
- District Budget Advisory Committee- Fall 2021-current
- College Council-Co-Chair, Spring 2021-current

Related Professional Associations

- Faculty Association of California Community Colleges
- California Community College Distance Education Coordinators' Organization

Workshops/ Conference Presentations

July 2018-"ASL Poetry"

August 2018-"Technology Tools for Teachers"

July 2019-"Unpacking Biases"

July 2019-"Ethics: We Have Them, How Do We Use Them?"

December 2019-"Interpreter Power and Privilege"

May 2020-"Intro to the CVC-OEI Rubric"

May 2020-"Regular and Effective Contact"

May 2020-"Good Enough Now Bookclub"

June 2020-"Death by PowerPoint"

June 2020-"Personalizing Asynchronous Instruction-Embedding Media"

August 2020-"Personalizing Asynchronous Instruction-Video Applications"

August 2020-"Distance Education for All"

August 2020-"ABC-A Basic Course Design"

January 2021-"Opening Doors and Breaking Down Walls"

January 2022-"Humanizing Online"

April 2022-"Equity and Engagement All Stars"

April 2022-"Student Connection Starts Here"

August 2022-"RSI-Customizing for Your Discipline

March 2023-"10+1 Senate Purview and Collegial Consultation" Webinar

April 2023-"How to Bloom at Plenary" ASCCC Welcome Session (supporting role)

Academic Community Service

- ASCCC 2021-2022 Hayward Award-Reader
- ASCCC Spring 2022 and Spring 2023 Elections Committee-Member
- ASCCC Relations with Local Senates Committee-Member Fall 2022-Spring 2023
- ASCCC Resolutions Committee-Member Fall 2023-present
- ASCCC Accreditation Committee-Member Fall 2023-present
- ASCCC 2023 Accreditation Institute-key contributor in the schedule and format of the 2023 Accreditation Institute, provided support to presenters
- California Virtual Campus Proctoring Network Advisory Group-Member Spring 2022
- California Virtual Campus Peer Online Course Review Scaling Advisory Group- Member Spring 2022

Publications

ASCCC Rostrum: "An Inclusive Learning Environment for All: Why is it taking so long?" May 2022

Awards

- 2017 SBVC Outstanding Faculty of the Year
- 2017 Arts & Humanities Achievement Award