## BPAP Friday, March 17, 2023 11AM-12:30PM Zoom

**Attendance**: Deneatrice Lewis, Daniel Spitz, Ruben Gil, Linda Esparza Dozer, Valdas Karalis, Michael Medel, Christopher Johnson, Melanie Eckford-Prosser, Scott Kennedy, Donna Lewis(NV)

- I. Quorum (7): Achieved
- II. Minutes Approval: Approved
  - A. <u>02/03/2023</u>
    - 1. Linda motion Donna seconds
- III. Public Comment: None
- IV. Announcements:
  - A. AP7120 Recruitment and Selection coming soon
    - 1. AP7120A: Melanie request that we have something for the Faculty portion (AP7120A) ready for the Fall
  - B. Legal Updates coming in April (FYI) ready to look over in May after Chapter Leads review and disseminate.
- V. Continued Discussion
  - A. Gold pass events information for Emeritus Status AP7217 Emeritus Status
    - 1. <u>AP 7210 Academic Employees</u> will need an update based on this new policy (reference pg 14-15 under Emeritus Status)
      - a) Gold pass questions-have been referred to the foundation
      - b) Parking privilege: Donna asks why does security have a problem to have the window small?
        - (1) Possible limited spots when everyone was on campus? Can this change due to pandemic impact? **Security replied back and stated prkg can start at 1PM**
      - c) Move forward to Superintendent./ President for review and approval; out for information to the Board
- VI. Following up on Discussion:
  - A. <u>BP7700 Whistleblower Protection</u> / <u>AP7700 Whistleblower Protection</u> (out for review for BPAP committee);
    - 1. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Retaliation Fact Sheet
    - 2. Retaliation occurs when an employer takes an adverse action against an employee for engaging in protected activity. <u>(US Dept. of Labor)</u>
      - a) An adverse action is an action which would dissuade a reasonable employee from raising a concern about a possible violation or engaging in other related protected activity. Retaliation can have a negative impact on overall employee morale.
      - b) Protecting the anonymity of the whistleblower themselves? Language on this

- (1) Depends on the identity/type of the whistleblower?
- (2) Explain to what extent it will be anonymous-provide some examples
- (3) Maintain anonymity to the extent that we could; whoever is making the report has some sort of confidentiality protection
- c) Can there be any protection on a countercomplaint?
- d) Add a link to the <u>EEOC page</u> on retaliation at the end of the BP/AP? Or add it under the References at the top? If so, would this be binding? Broadest possible definition of retaliation? More precise definition of retaliation. <u>Is there a current retaliation</u> <u>definition in our policies that we can reference?</u>
  - (1) Come back with references and definition in our current policies
- e) AP7700 add the protection of anonymity; definition of retaliation (similar notes from the BP)
  - (1) Complying due process and notification of accusation to the respondent consistent with other policy
- B. <u>BP7800 Incompatible Activities</u>
  - 1. Question on who determines whether the employment outside of the District is in conflict/incompatible there is a legal definition listed; evaluation would be completed by the supervisor and HR
  - 2. Some of the language should be included in an AP
    - a) Check to see if there is an AP; there is no draft in progress (<u>AP</u> <u>2710</u> loosely related dealing specifically with Board members)
    - b) Is an AP needed?
  - 3. Is there a process to get a sign off?
    - a) Encouraged to discuss with your groups to determine if there is a need/desire before we spend time on drafting.
  - 4. Volunteer activities included? Not the same as employment? (wage earning only?)
    - a) Look at a case by case basis-
      - (1) Moral issue when asking about incompatible? Broad and vague?
      - (2) Association of groups?
      - (3) Ex: faculty maxing out on TLU here and at different college (#4 on the list of the outside employment, activity or enterprise may be prohibited)
        - (a) Duties: what are they failing to do
        - (b) Look at EDCode; statutory language
    - b) Written with compensation in mind (the BP)
- VII. For review and discussion: *Ended here 3/17* 
  - A. AP7344 Notifying the District of Illness
  - B. BP 7340 Leaves:

C. <u>BP7345 Catastrophic Leave Program</u>

## VIII. Coming Attractions

- A. AP7336 Certification of Freedom from Tuberculosis
- B. <u>BP7350 Resignations or Retirements</u>:
- C. <u>BP7341 Sabbatical Leaves</u> / <u>AP7341 Sabbatical Leave</u>s:
- D. <u>BP7380 Eligibility for Retiree Health Benefits</u> / <u>AP7380 Retiree Health Benefits</u>
- E. Academic Senate to bring Academic Freedom and Faculty Hiring (*ETA end of the Semester*)
- F. AP7120 Recruitment and Selection (to be broken up to different groups) -ETA in Spring Discussion

## Next time: Friday, April 7th

- AP7700 Whistleblower Protection (con't. discussion)
- BP7800 Incompatible Activity (ed./gov code and statutory language)

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