# English Department Agenda March 22, 2018

#### **Announcements**

- To reserve a Chromebook cart, email Erica Soohoo (<u>esoohoo@elcamino.edu</u>) with your name, section number(s), and time(s) and date(s) you would like to use the carts.
- If posting student work in classroom, please put date—or remove at semester end.
- Google for Education workshops (ask Pete M. if you have questions.)
- Erica Brenes is planning the English majors workshop for Thursday, May 3, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Faculty encouraged to attend—will earn Flex Credit.
- Cherry Blossom Festival, Thursday, April 5, features Rhea's poetry students (and other entertainment).
- Town Hall meeting April 19, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.
- First-Gen Conference April 27 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## **Reports and Discussion Items**

- Academic Senate
  - o Faculty paying moving from 10-month to 12-month; look for HR memo.
- AFT representative is Chris Glover.
- Recent memo went out about male non-student "living" on the third floor of Humanities. There is a restraining order against the individual. If you see something, say something.
- Counselling Collaborative (Deb)
- AB705
  - Deb noted that by fall of 2019, we are expected to be in compliance with AB 705, which means
    that we are to create structure that gets students through English 1A within their first year.
    Much more information will follow, but reading and pre-college level composition classes will be
    severely limited, and, consequently, English faculty schedules will be very different.
- Evaluations are underway. Deb reminded faculty to be thorough and to use the opportunity to have meaningful discussions with evaluatees and to offer constructive criticism when appropriate.
- Contracts: Elise encourages faculty to come see her with their semester contracts so that she can teach the faculty to read them for accuracy. In particular, inter-session contracts are prone to errors. Elise will be associate dean through July, so she encouraged faculty to come see her before that date.

### **SLOs**

Courses being assessed spring, 2018:

**English:** 

15B Sean Donnell	32 Ashley Gallagher			
1B Chris Page	36 Brent Isaacs	36 Brent Isaacs		
1BH Mary Ann Leiby	78 Kim Krizan			
1C Jeff McMahon	80 Rhea Lewitzki			
1CH Chelsea Henson	84 Rhea Lewitzki			
20 Rachel Williams	98 Pete Marcoux			
24A Rhea Lewitzki	A Stephanie Merz			
31 Bruce Peppard	Humanities 1 Laura Welsh			

#### Curriculum

- Handbook committee to select customized reduce-priced handbook? (Elise)
  - Elise noted that Between Worlds is out of print and we'll need to choose another main English 1A textbook soon. Many publishers offer discounted prices for customized textbooks and handbooks. Chris Page, Matt Cheung, Jane Sandor, Rose Ann Cerofeci, and Mora Mattern agreed to serve on a committee for a new 1A textbook/handbook.