



**El Camino College
Behavioral & Social Sciences
Division Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2015**

Present: S. Allen, E. Antoine, F. Baker, S. Baxter, M. Braun, E. Cannon, T. Carter, Y. Chu, M. Cortez, K. Daniel-DiGregorio, M. Din, S. Dowden, J. Farias, R. Firestone, R. Galbavy, B. Gibson, C. Gold, X. Herrera, H. Herrera Thomas, A. Himsel, L. Houske, B. Knapp, A. LaCoe, F. Leon, W. Lozano, A. Mannen, M. Moen, J. Montgomery, E. Munoz, K. Nguyen, J. Ortiz, R. Otero, E. Rader, E. Shadish, A. Simon, J. Soden, K. Striepe, J. Suarez, A. Verge, D. Walker, L. Widman, M. Wynne, J. Young
Absent: M. Inouye (excused), R. Mascolo (excused), M. Waters (excused)

WELCOME

G. Miranda welcomed everyone back, adjunct faculty were introduced. Two upcoming sabbaticals, Stacey Allen, Fall 2015 and Marianne Waters, Spring 2016.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Spring Division Enrollment Update

Registration ended yesterday. Enrollments have been soft due to registration glitches. We have cancelled nine classes and indicated that there are low enrollments in World History, Anthropology and Philosophy. Some sections are only 50% full at this time. Classes in single digits will be canceled. The dean will review the course rotation of courses that are experiencing soft enrollments. Winter session will be restored beginning in 2017.

FT Hiring Process/New Adjuncts

G. Miranda working on getting committees together for three FT positions in Childhood Education, History, and Sociology.

Reading Success Center – Sarah Leinen

Sarah Leinen gave a presentation on the services offered to faculty at the Reading Success Center. She stated that faculty can bring students by for a tour of the facility. Sarah stated that the reading center is twice more successful in helping students than if they did not go to the reading success center.

Online Course Filming – Rene Galbavy

R. Galbavy discussed her participation at the Media Center having her lectures taped to post onto her online classes. She invited faculty to contact her if they were interested in taping lectures.

Smoking Cessation Initiative

The dean announced that the Board of Trustees is expected to vote to approve a total non-smoking ban on campus. A brief discussion ensued.

Black History Month Events/Maria Brown

D. Walker gave a brief overview of events planned for this year's Black History Month program. Included will be a tribute to Maria Brown.

PROGRAM REVIEW & ANNUAL PLANNING PROCESS

Child Development, History and Philosophy are scheduled to begin their program review process this semester. S. Baxter, J. Suarez and F. Leon will spearhead their respective departments' self-study.

The planning process will now utilize TracDat to input department and division priorities. The Division Council was commended for their prioritization of division requests.

SLO REPORT

E. Munoz reported that packets have been distributed to faculty to begin this semester's SLO assessments. 55 courses are scheduled to be assessed this term. Eduardo reminded faculty that their spring assessments are due by February 9th. To date 14 have been submitted out of a total of 50 assessed in fall which is only 28% of the total.

E. Munoz also reported on agenda topics for the first facilitators meeting and on upcoming TracDat training dates. He recommended that department facilitators take the training to familiarize themselves with the new TracDat system.

ACADEMIC SENATE

L. Widman reported all positions for division senators have been filled. He discussed also the issue about moving up the W drop date which the Senate is addressing.

ECCFT

COLA has dropped from 2.2 to 1.58. N. Velasquez emailed faculty to participate in review of the contract but so far minimal response and involvement.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Anthropology: Department is planning a workshop in late April and possibly one Anthro Chat. A full-time exhibit is on display in the museum which includes southwestern objects provided by a private donor.

Childhood Education: The department is participating in the statewide CAP alignment program and has also received a grant from LA Universal Preschool that will fund a permit specialist. Children's Day will take place on April 25th and is open to the public.

Economics: No report.

History: Black History Month and A Celebration of Chicano Culture are in the development phase. D. Walker and X. Herrera will spearhead the program planning.

Human Development: The department faculty was recognized for their campus activities and leadership. Y. Chu is teaching a new three unit course on Career Development across the Lifespan.

Philosophy: The Philosophy Club remains active and is sponsored by R. Firestone and F. Leon. The existing PHIL 11 course on modern and contemporary philosophy will be split into two new courses to address CI-D issues.

Political Science: L. Widman reported that the department is scheduling a video presentation by the League of Women Voters this semester. There has been excellent student participation in previous semesters.

Psychology: The department is offering a new course, Cultural Psychology, next year. The course was developed by R. Galbavy. K. Nguyen and R. Mascolo are planning another psychology symposium. The department is hosting a guest speaker. As part of program review recommendations, the department will host brown bags; the Psychology Club is doing well with A. Himsel and R. Galbavy as co-advisors.

Sociology: The department has been approved to hire a new full-time member. M. Din has been nominated for the Hayward award. The Sociology Club is hosting its annual "Real Deal" which has former students return to discuss their college experiences to ECC sociology majors.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30a.m. to allow for departments to work on SLO timelines.

cc: T. Fallo

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CEC: B. Perez, I. Bunting

Division Counselor: Y. Cooper

Division Faculty/CEC Faculty