

El Camino College
Behavioral & Social Sciences
Division Council Minutes
February 28, 2012

Present: S. Allen, M. Braun, T. Carter, M. Eula, B. Knapp, A. Mannen, D. McPatchell,
J. Montgomery, J. Soden, J. Thureson

Absent: E. Antoine (excused) D. McPatchell (excused),

Meeting began at: 1:05 p.m.

Active Enrollment

G. Miranda reminded division reps of the importance of completing active enrollments this week since an accurate census count is necessary for our apportionment. The importance of keeping accurate attendance records was stressed as well as dropping no-show students. Information from the Chancellor's office was distributed regarding involuntary drops after the census date.

SLOs

The dean gave an update on the SLOs. J. Soden reported that a data collection survey will be sent out by email and encouraged all to complete it. SLO input training is scheduled on Thursdays using CurricUNET. Janet Young is willing to assist department facilitators with training as well.

Plan Builder

The dean stated that Plan Builder recommendations should be completed by tomorrow. Any supplies and other purchase requests need to be included in all plans.

Accreditation

Dr. Miranda distributed a letter sent to President Fallo from the Accrediting Commission that was a response to our mid-year report. The recommendations were discussed.

Syllabi

The dean announced that current semester syllabi need to be submitted to Maria for placement on our division website. Also, any webpages that are not up to date need to be revised or deleted if not in use.

Instructional Supplies

Dr. Miranda announced that the deadline for ordering instructional supplies is coming and all classroom or office requests need to be submitted to Maria as soon as possible. This includes DVDs as well. Also, it was noted there are division conference funds still available for this year.

FTES Budget Allocations for Fall

The fall 2012 FTES allocation for the division will remain the same as Fall 2011 at this point in the scheduling process. Any further cuts depend on the state budget picture. The VPAA approved the division offering four additional general education classes this semester which were added to address student demand.

Information from the Budget Advocacy Action Center on the budget cuts for El Camino this year was distributed at the meeting.

Women's History Month

Dr. Miranda discussed the upcoming events for Women's History month and encouraged faculty to invite students to participate in some of the programs. The division is planning to hang posters of famous women. Wendy is putting the images together. We would like to have each discipline represented with famous women including contemporary and historical individuals. The last event for Black History month, "A Taste of Soul," will be held in the East Dining Room on February 29th from 11-2pm.

Department Reports/Compton

Anthropology: The dean welcomed Angela Mannen back after a semester off for maternity leave. A. Mannen reported the department will host the 9th Annual Symposium on Friday, May 18th. The faculty is also planning to have a guest speaker and the successful anthropology chats but dates have yet to be determined. The Anthropology Club is considering a small display in the museum on martial arts.

Childhood Education: J. Montgomery reported that along with M. Moen they had presented at the Early Math and Science Institute last weekend. The department's activities for spring are set including Story Hour which is scheduled for March 23rd and Children's Day on April 24th.

Dr. Miranda commended the department on their thorough and outstanding program review.

Compton: D. McPatchell reported that Compton hired a full-time Child Development instructor this past spring, Hoa Pham. She will be attending our Childhood Education department meetings as well and plans to work closely with our faculty. He also reminds CEC faculty to attend department meetings at ECC when possible.

Economics: T. Carter reported employment is up as well as the stock market. No other department updates.

History: The dean commended the department on doing a good job on their recently completed first draft of program review. Dr. Miranda announced that Dr. Michael Eula will be retiring at the end of the spring semester and relocating to the east coast. M. Eula reported they are currently working on the FT History position that is to be filled for the fall 2012 semester. A program commemorating the War of 1812 is in discussion by some of his colleagues.

Human Development: J. Soden reported the students are starting their service learning assignments in HDEV classes now. Also, FIPP participants are becoming mentors.

Philosophy: J. Thureson reported that Randy Firestone was invited to give a presentation at UCLA. The department is also planning on having another book sale to raise additional funds for the Bill Barger scholarship.

Political Science: no report

Psychology: M. Braun reported the Psychology Club will be meeting every other Tuesday beginning on March 6th. The department is planning on having a guest speaker and Richard Mascolo will organize and host his research project symposium this semester. Dates are forthcoming.

Sociology: S. Allen reported that the Sociology Club is active and had a good turnout during club rush.

The meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

cc: T. Fallo
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