

El Camino College
Behavioral & Social Sciences
Division Council Minutes
March 6, 2014

Present: M. Braun, I. Bunting (Compton), Y. Cooper, S. Dowden, R. Firestone (E. Shadish), R. Kahn, B. Knapp, D. McPatchell (Compton), M. Moen, R. Otero (A. Mannen), J. Soden, A. Verge

Absent: E. Antoine (excused), T. Carter (unexcused)

Meeting began at: 1:04 p.m.

Announcements

G. Miranda welcomed the new division student senate representative, Rafeed Kahn. Rafeed is majoring in psychology.

Maria Cortez has mailed 41 letters to Presidential Scholar nominees. Faculty may review letters beginning March 18th. The Academic Award voting sheets have been slotted and are due March 14th. Eleven students will receive awards this year. The office will forward information on the awards ceremony to faculty asking them to consider attending the ceremony.

The dean reported that the Special Resource Center will begin to use specific folders for transporting exams for SRC students.

With Rica Young leaving Media Services, Staff Development will be facilitating Etudes training. The recent need for additional online sections training will be impacted. In order to meet the online growth request in section offerings, additional Etudes trained faculty are needed.

G. Miranda reminded members to have anyone from their department who would like to request media materials to submit requests to Maria as soon as possible. The deadline for requisitions is April 1st.

Black History Month programs were successful this year. Events are also scheduled for Women's History Month. Two films being presented will be hosted by division faculty. Student and faculty attendance are encouraged.

Faculty volunteers are needed for the English Consistency Project. Contact Elise Geraghty for more information.

Spring Census Report: FTES, Added Section Update

The division achieved 1335 FTES this spring semester, second only to Humanities which is the largest division on campus.

Anthropology 2, Political Science 1, Psychology 2 and 5 have been added as second 8-week offerings. PSYCH 2 is being offered as an online section and has filled but the on campus sections are still open. The dean encouraged faculty to inform students about these 8 week offerings in the event students are in need of additional units.

Late Syllabi

Required submission of syllabi has not been completed by four instructors, two of whom are FT from the same department. M. Cortez posts the syllabi on our website. The dean is following up with these noncompliant faculty.

Curriculum

Economics is the latest A.A.-T proposal that needs to be developed and submitted to the CCC for approval.

The division reps discussed CI-D issues. R. Firestone has had concerns with decisions by CI-D reviewers in spite of compliance with requirements for PHIL 2 (Introduction to Philosophy) and PHIL 11 (History of Modern and Contemporary Philosophy) which will be resubmitted to the CCC as two courses, Modern and Contemporary. Both courses have already been submitted to the DCC for approval.

Two courses are due for course review this semester, Education 101 and 201 which are both taught by part-time faculty and are expected to be forwarded to the DCC when they are updated. Already submitted are CDEV 104, 125, PHIL 2, 7, PHIL 112, 113 (new courses replacing PHIL 11), and PSYC 17 (Cultural Psychology) which is also a new course.

PLOs/SLOs

Department reps discussed the four year cycle with clarification of the one SLO per course per year criteria. L. Bunting stated that CEC faculty had met this morning and established tools for assessments. A general discussion on some of the challenges of maintaining the timeline took place as well.

Clery Act

The dean reported on a recent presentation to managers and supervisors by Chief Trevis on the Clery Act. J. Soden also stated that as part of her dissertation she had researched the Clery Act and gave the council members additional information on the obligation of colleges to report incidents of sexual assaults, domestic violence, stalking, etc. Faculty was also informed that they could contact Chief Trevis if they wanted to give a presentation to their classes.

Department Reports/Compton

Anthropology

R. Otero reported that the annual Anthropology symposium will be held on Friday, April 25th. The department and club are looking at topics for Anthro Chats. Also, a guest speaker is scheduled to present next week.

Childhood Education

M. Moen reported that the annual workshop, Story Hour and Children's Day are upcoming events with details to follow.

M. Moen also reported that the annual conference held in mid-November was well attended with over 300 attendees. The three workshops offered to students were extremely successful.

Compton

I. Bunting reported on SLO/PLO work completed. Compton has an International Women's Day scheduled on March 8th from 1-7pm with a full day of activities including a documentary on writer/poet Leroy Jones. CEC faculty has been working on a four semester transfer degree for music and dance. For Black History Month they gave away 600 books donated by faculty and staff to students. Also, Dr. Bunting also stated that there has been a high demand for high school off campus offerings in their service area high schools.

D. McPatchell reported on a scheduled forum on Student Success on March 11th at 12:30pm.

Counseling

Y. Cooper reported that a workshop for undecided majors is set for next week followed by one on internship benefits the week after. Also, a workshop on resume writing is scheduled. He encouraged faculty to announce these events to their classes. Next October Counseling is planning a Career Month for high school students. He will be in contact with the division closer to October to inform faculty.

Economics

No report.

History

A. Verge reported that Oxford University Press has developed a non-profit policy and he is looking at textbooks they publish for course use.

Human Development

J. Soden reported that the search for a new FT faculty at El Camino had begun and that Compton will also be hiring a full-time Human Development instructor.

Philosophy

E. Shadish reported that the Philosophy club will host movie night on Friday, April 11th in SOCS 210. They will be viewing *Waking Life*. The Getty is hosting a college night and indicated that if anyone were interested, Randy Firestone has information.

Political Science

No report.

Psychology

M. Braun reported that the Psychology faculty are working on securing a speaker this semester. Also, R. Mascolo will host his research symposium in May.

Sociology

S. Dowden reported that two films will be shown in March as part of Women's History Month. The first on March 11th is a documentary, *Girl Rising*, while the documentary *Triangle Fire* will be shown on March 25, 2014. Both events are scheduled in the East Dining Room at 1pm. Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to attend.

Student Senate

New division student senator R. Kahn reported that former B & SS senator Joy De Guzman is now Vice President. R. Esquivel will continue to serve as co-senator. They are working on making ASO fees mandatory by 2015.

The opening of the Social Justice Center was well attended. Faculty agreed this is an excellent addition and see possibilities for combined events.

Also, the senators have created a committee to work on the ASO Master Ed plan and will also incorporate technology into the plan.

The meeting adjourned at 2:02 p.m.

cc: T. Fallo
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Compton: I. Bunting, C. Lyles, B. Perez (electronic copy)
Division Student Senators: J. De Guzman, R. Esquivel
Counselor: Y. Cooper