

**El Camino College  
Behavioral & Social Sciences  
Division Council Minutes  
September 4, 2014**

**Present:** M. Braun, T. Carter, Y. Chu, Y. Cooper, S. Dowden, B. Knapp, F. Leon, M. Moen, A. Mannen, E. Munoz, E. Pedrahita, J. Soden, A. Verge

**Meeting began at:** 1:03 p.m.

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**Announcements**

Introductions were made. G. Miranda welcomed the new division student senate representative, Stephanie Pedrahita (cognitive science major) as well as new FT HDEV faculty Yun Chu and Felipe Leon from Philosophy who is in his second year and serving on his first committee assignment.

No Show deadline is tomorrow. Wendy will be contacting those who have not submitted yet. Active Enrollment begins Monday. Completion is paramount.

**Fall Enrollment/Spring Schedule**

The dean announced that division classes had a fill-rate of 96-97% at the start of the semester. Several sections were added, many of them as online classes. The college's FTES goal for this year is 19,500. In efforts to achieve growth the division has been approved to add sections for spring 2015.

**Online Access for Accreditation Visit**

The Accreditation Team will be visiting the campus the first week of October. Notification to DE instructors on providing the visitation team with access to their online sites is forthcoming. The dean has requested access as well and reminded faculty to insure that media clips are closed captioned.

**Program Review**

In spring 2015 Early Childhood Education, History, and Philosophy departments will begin program review.

**Curriculum**

The Economics transfer degree will be reviewed by the CCC this semester as well as several courses up for course updates. Two new courses, Cultural Psychology, PSYC 17 and Chicano Culture, ESTU 5 will be reviewed by the CCC this semester as well. Philosophy courses are being renumbering to three-digits for submission next year.

**PLOs/SLOs**

G. Miranda announced that grids for ILOs, PLOs are due tomorrow. Assessment reports are due next Friday.

**Planning 2014-2015**

The dean distributed 2014-2015 department plans to be reviewed and updated. Completed objectives need to be removed from the plan. Feedback from departmental colleagues is expected as part of the planning process.

**FT Position Prioritization**

G. Miranda will submit four FT faculty position requests for consideration: Early Childhood Education, History, Political Science, and Sociology. Ballots for prioritization were distributed and collected. Susan Baxter has submitted a resignation letter and Maria Brown is planning on retiring next year. POLI and SOCI will be submitted as growth positions.

### **Division Symposium Concept**

Richard Mascolo has suggested a division symposium. Various departments would select student papers to present at the symposium with a faculty panel selecting the best papers. A fund raiser might be considered to secure prize money.

A Psychology symposium will be held September 18<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Kim Nguyen is coordinating this event. Her summer session statistics students will present at the Haag Recital Hall.

### **Department Reports**

#### Anthropology

A. Mannen reported that many ANTH club students have transferred and that the department hopes to increase membership during club rush. October workshops for El Dia de los Muertos and face painting by cosmetology students during museum visits is planned. Also, two “Anthro Chats” are scheduled with topics and dates forthcoming. B. Gibson has been invited to present in Poland on his research expertise, Celtic chiefdoms of the middle ages.

#### Childhood Education

J. Montgomery announced she is happy to be back in the classroom. ECC and CEC are working on their annual conference scheduled for November 22<sup>nd</sup> and the surrounding community will be involved as well. The department is currently working on placing students in local schools.

#### Counseling

Y. Cooper announced upcoming workshops for undecided majors, resume writing, interviews, and internships; flyers are forthcoming. Yamonte will be leaving soon for Germany as a Fulbright scholar to study and observe their higher education system. Cheryl Kroll and Brian Mims will serve as backup counselors. A list was distributed with contact information for B & SS counselors.

#### Economics

T. Carter reported on trends and indicators in the national economy!

#### History

A. Verge reported that Florence Baker will continue to serve as faculty advisor for the HIST club. The department is planning on a WWI panel event in fall followed by one on WWII in spring. Maria Brown’s Pop Culture exhibit is scheduled for October in the library. Xocoyotzin Herrera was acknowledged for his fantastic job on events for A Celebration of Chicano Culture last semester. The Black History Month committee will begin meeting to plan for February 2015.

#### Human Development

Y. Chu reported briefly on potential adult education Human Development offerings in several local off-campus venues possibly as early as next spring 2015. Also, additional FYE sections are being added to the spring schedule.

#### Philosophy

F. Leon reported that R. Firestone was meeting today with the Philosophy club. In November Felipe will dialog with faculty at Pepperdine on Modern and Contemporary philosophy.

#### Political Science

E. Munoz reported Lance Widman is making arrangements for the League of Women’s Voters to present in October. L. Houske is working with the POLI club on a voter registration drive. Eduardo continues to work with HTP every semester and FYE in spring.

#### Psychology

M. Braun reported that A. Himsel and R. Galbavy are working on restarting the Psychology club. Angela Simon is arranging for a fall semester guest speaker. Kim Nguyen is scheduling a symposium for students who were in her statistics classes during summer.

### Sociology

S. Dowden reported the Sociology club will meet next week and will continue working with KIVA. A Social Issues Forum will be held on November 6<sup>th</sup> by Liberty in North Korea. A pilot program for online counseling is in place across campus with she and E. Shadish are participating.

### Student Senate

S. Pedrahita reported that ASO had a successful fund raiser and welcome week. Stephanie is excited to serve on the Student Senate; this is her first semester at El Camino. Dong Jae (Andrew) Lee will serve as co-senator.

The meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.

cc: T. Fallo  
F. Arce (electronic copy)  
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Division Student Senators: D. Lee, S. Pedrahita  
Counselors: Y. Cooper, Cheryl Kroll, Brian Mims