

El Camino College
Behavioral & Social Sciences
Division Council Minutes
October 3, 2013

Present: E. Antoine, I. Bunting, T. Carter, Kristie Daniel-DiGregorio (J. Soden), S. Dowden, R. Esquivel, R. Firestone, B. Gibson (A. Mannen), B. Knapp, D. McPatchell, M. Moen, A. Verge

Absent: M. Braun (excused), J. Guzman (excused)

Meeting began at: 1:03 p.m.

Announcements

G. Miranda stated that requests for full-time faculty positions need to be put into the department annual plan. The college is considering hiring approximately twenty full-time instructors for next year. She has conducted a preliminary review of departments who potentially have the greatest need based on their current full-time/part-time ratios. These include Human Development, Political Science and Sociology. With the emphasis on the 2012 student success act, Human Development will play a critical role in the future which would necessitate an additional full-time hire. The dean will work on completing the request forms over the next week.

PLOs/SLOs

The dean announced that all departments have completed PLOs. Economics, History, and Sociology will not be submitting three, so justifications will be needed. History, Political Science and Sociology need to coordinate their PLOs with Compton.

Curriculum Update

HDEV 10, 12, PHIL 17/POLI 7, PSYC 9A, 9B, SOCI 109 were all approved at the September 19th DCC meeting. The dean reminded B. Knapp to send copies of course outlines to I. Bunting for review.

Plan Builder

Copies of the 2013-2014 Plan Builder were distributed. Department reps were directed to discuss edits and recommendations with department colleagues. Changes will go into the 2014-15 plans which need to be rolled over and completed by the end of October. Requests for budget items must be placed in plan builder. Economics, Human Development and Psychology faculty were informed that their Program Review recommendations need to be included as well.

Program Review

Economics, Human Development, and Psychology submitted drafts of Program Review earlier this year. G. Miranda commended Juli Soden and Kristie Daniel-DiGregorio on the thoroughness of their self-study. Refinements to Economics and Psychology can be done up to presentation date.

Student Success Act - Implications

The dean asked K. Daniel-DiGregorio to discuss some of the implications of the Student Success Act. It will take affect commencing in summer 2014. A lengthy discussion ensued with a diversity of opinions expressed.

PT Job Announcements

G. Miranda stated that part-time assignments are needed in Anthropology, Childhood Education, History/Ethnic Studies, Psychology, and Sociology to staff additional classes. Some departments have exhausted their PT pools. Job announcements have been posted and faculty will be needed to serve on these committees.

Holiday Party

The faculty was asked to vote on a date for this year's division holiday party. The last two years the division holiday party has been held on Wednesday. Tuesday, December 10th was chosen for the annual gathering which will be held from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in the Division Conference room.

Shakeout/Disabled Students

R. Firestone plans to slot instructions for the October 17th Shakeout for faculty in the SOCS building. Last year a disabled student expressed concern about how he was assisted during the building evacuation. A. Verge and R. Firestone restated the instructions given to them as building captains but the division office will check with the Special Resource Center and Safety and Health to make certain all procedures are in compliance regarding disabled students. The building captains for the third floor ARTB building are Blair Gibson and Michael Wynne. Florence Baker, Randy Firestone, and Arthur Verge for the SOCS building but F. Baker has asked to be relieved of this assignment.

Department Reports/Compton

Anthropology

B. Gibson reported the current exhibit, Motherland of Religions, will be taken down in two weeks by the Anthropology club. The annual De Los Muertos temporary exhibit is soon to be installed. The department is planning a workshop on the cultural background for day of the dead.

Blair has been asked to speak to the Science club on the use of Coppering.

Childhood Education

M. Moen reported that President Fallo read to the children at the Child Development Center this afternoon while Angela Simon acted out characters from the story.

Enrollment continues to increase at the center. Also, the department will host a workshop next weekend and the Early Childhood Educators fall conference is scheduled for November.

Compton

I. Bunting reported that work on Plan Builder and PLOs/SLOs is being completed. Compton has a new student club, Student Social Action . Construction is moving along and community support is strong. D. McPatchell reported Psychology is working on program review.

Economics

T. Carter reported that a new Economics club has been started this semester and she will serve as the advisor. Also, the department submitted their draft of program review on time.

History

A. Verge reported that the History club is doing well with Florence Baker continuing as the advisor. J. Suarez has been collecting feedback on plan builder.

Human Development

K. Daniel-DiGregorio reported that students in hers and J. Soden's Human Development classes have been getting organized to begin their service learning assignments. The students compile over 3,000 hours a year volunteering for local organizations. She commended Sue Dowden for inspiring their service learning involvement with local organizations. Kristie announced that nominations for the Outstanding adjunct Faculty Award are due by October 18th. While the division has had many FT award recipients , the dean would like to see one of our many excellent part-timers receive an award in the near future.

Philosophy

R. Firestone reported the Philosophy club was hosting a meeting at this same time new FT faculty member Felipe Leon in attendance as co-advisor. The department completed their PLOs and SLOs this week. He applauded the work of the department's adjunct instructors. Additionally, Randy has submitted five course outlines as part of course review for DCC approval.

Political Science

E. Antoine reported that L. Houske continues to serve as advisor for the Political Science club which has a good number of student members this semester. The club is working on getting together with the Social Justice club for an event. E. Munoz continues to work hard as the division facilitator for SLOs/PLOs.

Psychology

No report.

Sociology

S. Dowden reported that Stacey Allen continues her dedicated work with the Sociology club. The club will work with KIVA again this semester. Sue also commended Stacey for doing a great job on program review as well as SLOs. S. Dowden suggested combined club activities with Compton's clubs.

Student Senate

R. Esquivel reported ASO has been going great and they are organizing their committees. They hope to get their new computers soon. Joy DeGuzman, David Locke, Anjeanette Aguilar, Sarah Rednour, and Derrick Moon will attend the CCCSAA fall student leadership conference.

The meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

cc: T. Fallo
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Division Student Senators: J. De Guzman, R. Esquivel
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