

**Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences
Child Development Department Meeting
September 17, 2008**

NOTES

Present: S. Baxter, P. Kidwell-Udin, M. Moen, A. Phillips, J. Young

Absent: J. Montgomery

Meeting began at: 12:30 p.m.

Enrollment Update and Future Scheduling

Fall enrollment reached 1,625 (including online sections) in all classes and averaged a 95% fill rate in both campus and online sections. A. Phillips reported that in her online distance education Child Development 3 (Child Development) class she turned away 15 students wishing to add. She took in 65. The possibility of adding a second Child Development 3 section in the future was discussed. Child Development 31 (Supervising and Mentoring Adults) is well enrolled this semester. In fall of 2009, Child Development 108 (The Preschool Child) will be offered online and S. Baxter will be teaching Child Development 46 (Principles and Practices of School Age Care Programs) online as well.

Curriculum

The faculty discussed various options for developing an introductory practicum course. Child Development 20 (Child Development Practicum) and Child Development 169 (Special Education Practicum) would remain in place. Compton Center faculty instructors have asked that the department increase lab hours in the practicum.

Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)

The department has completed all of their course level SLOs and they have turned in their cycle for assessment timeline.

Department Activities

M. Moen has taken over responsibility for organizing Children's Day which will be held on October 11th from 10 a.m. until noon on the Art Patio. S. Baxter's parent group will be organizing a workshop table on that day as well. M. Moen was asked to contact S. DeMos for Child Development Center involvement in the program.

S. Baxter and M. Moen will oversee Story Hour this semester which will be held on November 7, 2008 .

J. Young stated that the department will be holding more permit parties. Thirty-two students showed up at the last one. She also stated that the college will need a Child Development permit specialist once we apply to become a permit granting agency. S. Baxter and J. Young are working on aligning the department certificates to match the permit requirements.

Mentor Teacher Program

J. Young reported on behalf of J. Montgomery that El Camino College is now part of a full region with the Compton Center's Child Development Program. J. Montgomery is planning to hold joint meetings. Twelve mentors are participating in the program this year. Given the state budget situation, the mentor program has not been allocated funding this year.

Consortium

S. Baxter reported that this year's agreement will be on the October board agenda. The funding is for \$27,500.

Both J. Montgomery and S. Baxter will be attending meetings in Sacramento in October for the Mentor Teacher Program and the Consortium. S. Baxter will be presenting a draft at the Consortium meeting (October 2nd & 3rd) on standards of quality care in school age programs.

Child Development Center

S. Baxter announced that S. DeMos has agreed to have more child development students participate in observations at the Center. She is also requested volunteers to lead reading to the children.

Careers in Child Care

J. Young reported that the grant funded program is going well but has not received word if it will be refunded. She also stated that there are plans to hold a large preschool job fair in October.

Teacher Resource Room—ArtB 313

The Teacher Education Program (TEP) gave \$12,000 to the department to upgrade equipment for the Teacher Resource Room from the Title V grant. Also, smart classrooms (with portable carts) are being installed via Title V money in ArtB 305 and 313.

However, the department did not receive funding from VTEA this year. Normally, that funding provided money for purchasing supplies and other materials.

Equipment and Supply Needs

A. Phillips asked if she could borrow science and math materials from the Teacher Resource Room for a workshop she will be conducting. The department approved her request.

Other

J. Young reported that the mini-grant from Boeing will fund a speaker's series at Compton and El Camino College this semester.

The department is planning to develop more linkages with the Child Development Department at Compton. J. Young plans to hold a permit party presentation there in response to a request from L. Taylor.

Meeting adjourned at: 1:25 p.m.

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