



Skills4Success Committee Meeting
Thursday February 25th, 2010
Library 206 (R-206)
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm



Attendees: Maria Victoria Becerra (Student), Alto Benedicto (Chemistry), Leslie Bretall (Library), Jennifer Brezina (English), Fred D'Astoli (English), Vincent Devlahovich (Geology), Ron Dreiling (ITL), John Garcia (English), Collette Gibson (Math), Audrey Green (Academic Affairs), Angela Grigoryan (Math), Kim Gurnee (English), Lee Hilliard (Computer Networking), Kevin Kistler (Academic Affairs), Victoria Leonard (Communications), Susan Ling (DSP&S), Heather MacLean (ESL), Mojdeh Mahn (TLC), Jose Martin (Modern Language), Michael McMahan (Humanities), Brandy McGrath (English), Daylene Meuschke (Institutional Research), Catherine Parker (Research), Denée Pescarmona (English), Mary Petersen (English), Debbie Rio (Student Services), Tracey Sherard (English)

I. Review and Approval of Minutes from December 3rd

Motion to approve minutes to be posted to the S4S website made by Jose Martin, second by Jennifer Brezina, approved.

II. Sub-Committee Reports

-Curriculum: The CB21 recoding has been completed. Thank you to the Math, English and ESL department for helping complete this.

-Non-Credit to Credit Transition: Debbie Rio passed out the minutes from the last meeting the Non-Credit to Credit transition subcommittee had. Debbie shared that a non-credit application in Korean has been finalized and is being distributed to the community. Debbie also shared on the non-credit ESL alignment, ESL class update, and managed enrollment.

-Professional Development: Fred D'Astoli shared that he felt the Student Success Symposium was a tremendous success. The Professional Development subcommittee is looking forward to producing more ideas for faculty related to the S4S committee.

-Research: The research subcommittee has been looking at the English, Math and ESL cut scores as well as the validity of the content of Accuplacer. The research subcommittee has just completed a report of students who participated in Supplemental Instruction workshops, also tracking which instructors are requiring supplemental instruction and how much. Daylene Meuschke let everyone know about the folks that will be visiting us from Berkeley to interview faculty and administrators related to Basic Skills. This will be similar to the interviews that were conducted by the Hewlett Leaders. The Research sub-committee has also been working on the MDTP and CTEP.

-Supplemental Instruction: The SI subcommittee has gone through all the materials generated last semester for workshops to tweak small errors. Spring workshops have already begun. During the Fall 2009 semester there were on average about 8 students attending each workshop, this number appears to be going up into low teens. One recent workshop had 26 students show up. A Supplemental Instruction workshop website is currently being developed as well.

-First Year Experience: The FYE committee has been meeting regularly; the content for "Cougar Days" is currently being developed, looking to add a parent component to this as well. The next step for the FYE committee is marketing materials so we can begin the word out, also start to recruit faculty and student ambassadors for outreach to the high schools.

III. Cal-PASS PLC Meetings

Catherine Parker updated the group on the Cal-PASS kickoff that was held on February 9th. Had a great turnout with faculty from COC, CSUN and the Hart District attending. Catherine let everyone know that the first Math and English Professional Learning Council meetings are coming up the second week of March.

IV. Hewlett Leaders Luncheon, March 5th 2010

On March 5th we will be meeting with two of the other Hewlett Leader campuses, Santa Barbara City College and Chaffey College, along with Dr. Linda Umbdenstcok for a strategy session. The meeting will be held in the University Center.

V. Update on Statewide BSI

No BSI regional workshops are scheduled for this semester as they have been in the past.

VI. New Business/Other Discussion

- Daylene updated the group on the ARCC data report.
- Audrey updated the group on what we can expect for Fall 2010 with many students being turned away from CSU and UC campuses.
- John Garcia updated the group on the TABE pretesting.

VII. Next Meeting

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