



Districtwide Coordinating Educational Council

Anticipate and serve the educational needs of the students in the District by reviewing, facilitating, and recommending educational initiatives and programs districtwide, consistent with existing District and College planning processes and Board Policies 2410 and 2510.

Meeting Notes **November 17, 2006**

1:00 p.m. Heritage of the Americas Museum, Cuyamaca College

Present: J. Al-Amin, J. Buckley (for D. Low), C. Chiriboga, D. Colli,
J. Colson, J. Ford, B. Hertel, C. Hill, J. Marron, B. Schmiede,
B. Tiffany, M. Wangler,

Absent: B. Hash, D. Low, G. Perri, S. SeEVERS, B. Smith,

Recorder: L. Davidson

I. Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

II. Academic Calendar

J. Colson distributed the Calendar Committee's recommended academic calendar. This calendar is similar to the existing calendar with minor adjustments. He reported the Calendar Committee would like to see further research on SDSU concurrent enrollment, student matriculation, spring break start and end dates, and 8-week course dates. They would also like to explore the complete calendar and legal issues.

B. Hertel reported the research department was unable to pull together the student focus groups as requested because he did not get responses from the colleges.

The calendar discussion included a suggestion to retaining a consultant; difficulties in changing science labs; the committee meeting earlier to include others; considering a multi-year calendar; and issues with receiving the SDSU schedule late.

III. BP 4225 Course Repetition

The following issues were discussed:

- The Governing Board may consider policies that allow course petition for legally mandated courses such as police firearms training, and allows repetition as much as needed.
- Disabled students may repeat courses as often as needed.

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- Should we include a statement that on the second repetition the worst grade falls out of GPA when a petition is filed?
 - The second repetition counts for transfer or AS degree, but the third repetition does not count in average or GPA.
 - When exceptions are given, it is not reported which results in an audit. This was discussed in matriculation and is being moved forward with fix from there.
 - The procedure, policy, and the statement in course outlines should agree.

J. Ford asked for an electronic packet including the Old Policy, CCLC Recommendations, and information from DEC prior to the meetings to ensure everyone has the same information.

IV. BP 5016 Probation, Disqualification, Readmission

The following points were discussed:

- Flag students early without the stigma of probation.
- Get students used to standards, and if they fall under 2.0, the result is probation.
- Use 6 units for probation with flags and no probation at 3 units.
- Current practice is no minimum units, and the policy is 12 units.
- Past change was an omission error when changed to 12 units.
- Counselors are very involved when probation occurs with PDC class requirements. Flags are more student friendly.
- Other colleges are all over the place without a standard.
- Do we have data showing intervention is successful?
- Terrible shock to student after first attempt at college, a percentage will quit.
- WASK action is usually not for SLO progress, but institutional integrity issues such as in policy and catalogs not having matching actions.

Action taken: Agreement to begin with flag after one class, with probation after 6 units.

V. Distance Education

Because of time constraints, this item will be addressed at the next DCEC meeting.

VI. Pick a Prof

Points discussed:

- Pick a Prof letter was sent to Beth Smith.
- Schools will not release student evaluations
- Written comments go only to instructor
- Standard report released with list of subject, course, instructor
- Is our database public information? This is not known.
- IPEDS data looks bad and does not reflect our work
- Data doesn't show our population of community college students versus university students

VII. New Curriculum

C. Hill distributed information on the new ASL degree and AS degree. These classes are on working with the deaf, learning about the deaf community, and not vocational education interpreter classes. This is an addition to social work and was approved at the Chancellor's Office.

VIII. Date Change for February 16 DCEC Meeting

L. Davidson will ask council members for a new date electronically.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

The next meeting will be January 19, 2006 in Heritage of the Americas Museum at 2:30-4:00 p.m.

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