



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 May 4, 2007

1:00 p.m. DOCR

Present: C. Chiriboga, D. Colli, J. Colson, B. Hertel, J. Marron, T. Pitt, B. Schmiege, B. Smith, P. Wright

Absent: J. Ford, B. Hash, C. Hill, G. Perri, S. Seevers, M. Wangler

Recorder: L. Davidson

Additions to the Agenda

J. Colson requested the addition of Immediate Interim Suspension to the agenda.

Immediate Interim Suspension

J. Colson distributed the "Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District Student Discipline Procedures" handbook, and a draft of suggested changes. He proposed changes to page 6, section "Immediate Interim Suspension", which he explained is invoked several times a year. J. Colson explained the current language states it is contingent upon the student to request a hearing, but there is no closure when the student leaves without requesting one. In this case, the immediate interim suspension becomes an expulsion, which requires governing board approval. J. Colson requested the addition of a second paragraph as follows:

Absent a request for a hearing, the student will be restricted from registration until such time as he/she schedules an appointment with the Vice President of Student Services (Grossmont), or Vice President of Student Development (Cuyamaca) to discuss terms and conditions of their possible readmission. After meeting with student(s) in question, the respective vice president will confer with their President as to options available as described under "types of discipline" in the Student Discipline Procedures Handbook and recommend a course of action to be prescribed by the president.

He stated this change would move through shared governance. Members discussed the changes and recommended the following:

1. In the first sentence, after registration add, "*at either college*"
2. In the second sentence, correct verb agreement

D. Colli and J. Colson explained a letter would include this new paragraph and be sent to the student instructing them on who they need to see. The Student Discipline Handbook would also be sent. J. Colson stated we do not want the language to be too confining if an attorney becomes involved. There is a need for clarity, but the more precise you are the more issues you give an attorney.

D. Colli stated Dr. Suarez requested this subject, which includes student behavior outside the classroom, go back to Extended Cabinet because of a formal complaint. Sharon Barrett and Augustin Albarran plan to look at discipline procedures this summer. There is a need to include e-mail harassment and other issues.

B. Smith requested cheating also be added as part of the discipline procedures. She stated the law covers these two issues separately. The state is looking at this now, and we may want to wait for their new language on cheating for a classroom incident.

DCEC members agreed to the changes in the discipline language, and for the issue to advance to DEC. Members requested John Colson and Joe Marron be invited to DEC to present the issue.

C. Chiriboga stated since this is not new policy, and just a clarification, DEC can move forward without board approval.

Meeting Cancellations

B. Hertel opened discussion on meeting cancellations and asked the members what could be done to minimize cancellations so that DCEC can effectively continue to do the business of district and meet collegial consultation process.

J. Marron stated any movement of meetings has a negative ripple effect on everyone's full calendars.

D. Colli suggested we send out a draft schedule twice a year and ask members to identify conflicts at that time. It would be easier to reschedule months ahead of time, when a change is necessary.

J. Marron requested members address conflicts early to determine when it is best to cancel, or to find a substitute for the absent member.

Members discussed moving the meeting to Monday, and talked about summer meetings. Members agreed to stay with the current meeting time. They also agreed to cancel the summer meetings.

C. Chiriboga stated members have to do a better job to calendar issues that need work, because there is no other place to resolve them.

B. Smith requested members review the DCEC council charge in the fall. B. Schmiede stated many curriculum issues are resolved here at DCEC and do not go on to DEC. D. Colli reminded

members that Dana Quittner is working to sending out draft changes on all council and committee charges, and suggested members look at this then.

Members asked L. Davidson to send out a draft DCEC schedule for member review. This will be done twice a year to identify conflicts and determine if meetings are to be cancelled, rescheduled, or if a representative will attend for the member.

Members discussed using video conferencing to cut down on travel time, but agreed face to face works well with our review of documents.

Title 5 Revisions

B. Hertel distributed the Board of Governors Monday agenda item on Title V Revisions that P. Wright pulled from the state website, and which identifies 17 key areas. The following is the link to the website.

http://www.cccco.edu/executive/bog/agendas/attachments_0507/04-1-T5_chapter_6.pdf

C. Chiriboga stated this is coming down fast. The state is closing gaps, and requiring more reporting. She stated that once changes are at the level of the Board of Governors, they are usually approved. SP361 is also included on the new document.

C. Chiriboga stated some changes look minor but are very big, while others look big but are minor. An example is with prerequisites where there is not one new thing, but changes codify what was already there. She stated members could divvy this up, or as a group look at each section. Members agreed to put a real spreadsheet together, link the proposed changes to current board policies, and to determine which policies need to change.

B. Hertel agreed to look into hiring an intern to help with this task.

C. Chiriboga stated we would have 180 days after approval for implementation. Changes would be published in the next catalogs.

T. Pitt stated the reverse effect of this effort is that we will identify which board policies do not need changes, and therefore can be moved forward more quickly.

C. Chiriboga stated accreditation will be with us until September, and that we may be frenzied.

Board Policies

Members agreed to hold off on board policy reviews until the Title V Revisions are identified and linked to them.

The meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

The next DCEC meeting is scheduled on May 18, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. in the District Office South (Annex) Conference Room.

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