



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 18, 2007

1:00 p.m. District Office South Conference Room

Present: J. Al-Amin, C. Chiriboga, D. Colli, J. Colson, J. Ford, B. Hertel, C. Hill, J. Marron, G. Perri, T. Pitt, B. Smith, M. Wangler, P. Wright

Absent: B. Hash, B. Schmiede, S. Seevers

Recorder: L. Davidson

Additions to the Agenda

D. Colli requested the addition of Student Print Media, Board Policy, and Administrative Procedures.

DCEC Calendar

B. Hertel distributed the draft DCEC 2007/08 Meeting Schedule. Members discussed the process for cancelling meetings. Members agreed to the following:

- As a standing council meeting, DCEC members will make every effort to attend.
- B. Hertel's office will send the meeting schedule out twice a year for member review to determine when a meeting is cancelled, or rescheduled.
- Members agreed to cancel or reschedule meetings only when dates conflict with state mandated meetings, or when it is determined a significant number of members cannot attend.
- Members agreed to make every effort to address meeting conflicts early to assist in finding a new reschedule date.
- If a member cannot attend, they may send a substitute representative.

Members agreed to cancel the June 15, and July 20 meetings. Members discussed rescheduling the August 18 meeting, which conflicts with flex week. B. Hertel asked L. Davidson to send out new dates for the spring 2008 meeting conflicts.

Student Print Media

D. Colli reported students met with him and asked about board policies addressing student media publications. The students developed a document that is coming together for

consideration, which identifies the need for responsibility in good journalism, and defines a grievance process for content purposes. He stated this was a good learning process for the student leaders, and he expects a document to be finalized in the fall. D. Colli stated we should look at changes in print media regulations in new case law.

Board Policy and Administrative Procedures

B. Hertel discussed the recent e-mail from the State Chancellor's Office regarding Title V Revisions. Members discussed the State tabling the controversial issues.

Members discussed the status of board policy review, and reaffirmed a student intern in B. Hertel's office will work on linking up the proposed Title V Revisions to our board policies. B. Hertel requested a copy of the board policy review grid developed at the Mission Trails meeting last year.

Year-end Review

Members discussed the year in review and talked about how the meetings could be more effective.

G. Perri requested the removal of the college presidents as members serving on DCEC. Members agreed to forward this request to Cabinet.

Members identified the new representatives for fall as follows:

- President ASGC-Wendy Hutson
- President ASCC-Sam Farhan
- Grossmont Curriculum Committee Co-chair - Sue Gonda
- Cuyamaca Curriculum Committee Co-chair – Courtney Hammond

B. Smith stated the DCEC committee charge is the same as what instructors already address elsewhere.

Members discussed DCEC accomplishments with SOC MAR, SOC NAV, transfer agreements, and board policy referrals to DEC. D. Colli requested an agenda item next year to discuss a possible replacement for the cancelled Universities Transfer Study Degree. Members discussed this was a controversial decision. By taking the minimum number of units off the table, an agreement is more likely, but then we may lose the certificate issue. Students want certificates to show they completed something. Community colleges are routinely criticized for not offering enough degrees.

M. Wangler stated these issues that bubble up from the colleges should go to curriculum committees first. B. Smith stated she sees Distance Ed going there first too. D. Colli stated DCEC is a place for the two colleges to talk about these issues together.

D. Perri stated issues will come from curriculum committees, and others will go from DCEC to the committees. University Transfer Study Degree is an example where statewide issues can emanate here. Members discussed a concern that DCEC would dictate to the colleges, and the district's role is on districtwide issues.

Members agreed to request a change to the DCEC committee charge to move “recommending” to the end of the paragraph as follows:

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

B. Smith requested the addition of Board Policy 2520 after 2410, and 2510. Members discussed the process for committee charge review and agreed the changes would go through the regular process.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

The next DCEC meeting is scheduled on September 21, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. in the Heritage of the Americas Museum Conference Room.

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