**Bakersfield College**

**Sports Medicine Certificate Meeting**

**March 17th, 2022**

1. **Welcome/ Introductions**

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.

Jerrad Merriman (SCOI), Konrad Dahl (BC faculty), Kayla Verrell (Shafter HS), Carl Dean (dept. chair), Mike Medeiros (BC ATC), Alexis Pitcher (BC ATC), and Fred Smith (Community member/ Retired ATC)

1. **Certificate over view/ Purpose**

Target student population: Kinesiology students looking to pursue a career in sports medicine, especially those interested in athletic training.

A sports medicine certificate will provide students with additional knowledge in the field of sports medicine to enhance their AA degree in kinesiology. This certificate will help students obtain the observation hours that are required to apply to an accredited athletic training program and set them apart from other applicants. The sports medicine certificate will also benefit individuals looking to go into the work force after finishing their Associates degree. Students applying to be a physical therapy aide at a PT clinic or an equipment manager at a high school will have the knowledge they need to be successful in their career and stand out amongst their peers.

1. **Committee input**
* A tentative start date of summer 2023 was discussed and will be the goal for this certificate program.
* After reviewing the course requirements for the certificate the following suggestions were made:

Include anatomy and physiology as one of the course requirements, in the event that a student who is not pursing a degree in kinesiology wishes to obtain this certificate. Look at possibly replacing the sports nutrition course with the anatomy and physiology course. Add a condensed version of anatomy and physiology to the course requirements or if available when the certificate program starts look to utilize the anatomy and physiology course that is being geared towards kinesiology students. If the addition of an anatomy and physiology course is not feasible look into creating an anatomy and physiology exam that must be passed in order to obtain his certificate.

* Creating a list of courses that would fulfill the student’s general education requirements but also benefit them and their goal to obtain this certificate and having this list readily available for students looking into this certificate program.
* Dual enrollment: currently we have dual enrollment in KINES B3A and intro to kinesiology at Shafter High School, however, now that KINES classes can be offered as dual enrollment we need to reach out to Andy Hong (director of sports medicine ROC program for the Kern High School District) to see if we can get these courses offered in more high schools.
* Continue research in how much individuals who obtain this certificate will be paid in the work force.
* College of the Canyons offers a sports medicine certificate program which is well designed and highly successful and will be looked to for guidance as we build our certificate program.
* Committee members agreed there is a need for a sports medicine certificate program within our community.
1. **Future meetings**

Next meeting end of November, Thursday evenings 6:30pm.

1. **Meeting Adjournment** 7:21pm