



Division of Communications & Languages

October 11, 2018 - Division Meeting Minutes

Present: Lisette Acevedo, Heather Arazi, Dana Arazi, Sharon Bell, Chris Bowen, Tom Callinan, Libby Curiel, William Curington, Karleen Curlee, Blanca De los Santos, Alex Dejean, Jeannette Duarte, Marie Eckstrom, Juan Fernandez, Raquel Flores-Olson, Theresa Freije, Alonso Garcia, Janice Garcia-Lopez, Lily Isaac, Zachary Jensen, Michael Koger, Lydia Llerena, Marina Markossian, Moises Mata, Jim Matthis, Roy McCrory, Abraham Nesheiwat, Tyler Okamoto, Daniel Osman, Norma Perez Villanueva, Kenn Pierson Geiger, Angela Rhodes, Wells Sloniger, JoAnn Springer, Grant Tovmasian, Dana Vazquez, Ralph Velazquez, Mariano Zaro

I- Call to Order & Approval of September 13 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. by Dean Mecom in LR128.

Motion (Matthis/Isaac) to approve the September 13, 2018 minutes passed unanimously.

New ASL instructor Roy McRory was introduced.

Claudia Rivas, accompanied by Robin Babou, introduced herself as the new Library Liaison for the division.

II- Area Updates:

ENGLISH

The department is working on the program plan and AB705 implementation.

Motion (Eckstrom/Pierson) to approve English 101S and English 101SP for online delivery passed unanimously.

ENLA

The department wants to discuss reconfiguring A210 to improve whiteboard access.

LAC

The center is quite busy and has maxed out its enrollment for the semester.

LANGUAGES

The department presented motions regarding new courses in ASL and the offering of courses via Distance Education.

Motion (Arazi/Bell) to develop a Deaf Culture course passed unanimously.

Motion (Arazi/Mata) to develop an ASL Linguistics course passed unanimously.

Motion (Arazi/Llerena) to develop a Beginning Interpreting and Ethics I course passed unanimously.

Motion (Arazi/Springer) to develop a Beginning Interpreting and Ethics II course passed unanimously.

Motion (Arazi/Springer) to develop an Introduction to Deaf Studies course passed unanimously.

Motion (Arazi/Springer) to develop a Deaf Literature course passed unanimously.

Motion (Arazi/Acevedo) to develop a Storytelling in ASL course passed unanimously.

Motion (Arazi/Springer) to develop a Career Pathways for Interpreters course passed unanimously.

Motion (Arazi/Duarte) to develop a degree in Deaf Studies passed unanimously.

Motion (Arazi/Bowen) to develop a degree in Foundations in Interpretation passed unanimously.

Motion (Arazi/Isaac) to develop a certificate in ASL passed unanimously.

Motion (Llerena/Arazi) to offer the following as Distance Education courses passed unanimously: Spanish 201, Spanish 201H, French 102, French 201, French 202, Chinese 101, Chinese 102, Japanese 101, and Japanese 102.

READING

Motion (Sloniger/Tovmasian) to approve Reading 44, Study Skills, as a corequisite with English 101S and 101SP approved unanimously.

Motion (Flores-Olson/Arazi) to have Reading 101 approved for IGETC passed unanimously.

The department wants division support in maintaining the Reading requirements in the catalogue. AB705 is silent on Reading. Contact Michelle Pilati to serve on the Rio Hondo Local Requirements Task Force.

Motion (Tovmasian/ Curiel) to direct each department in the division to send a letter to Michelle Pilati in support for Reading requirements passed unanimously.

SPEECH

The department is getting the new online courses up and running.

FORENSICS

Tournament season is underway.

III- Committee Updates

ACADEMIC SENATE

Academic Rank applications are due November 9; contact John Frala or Sheila Lynch.

The Guided Pathways program is developing areas of interest.

Staff Development has requested that faculty check the FLEX Reporter for the accuracy or their records on the current year's activities.

Check Clutter for emails from Michelle Bean that might have gone there.

The Program Plan Committee needs volunteers; information is on the Senate webpage.

ONLINE EDUCATION

The committee is considering adopting the use of a student survey to help show the need for additional support in the Online Education office.

The committee expresses concern over the limited access to Online Counseling, available Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The committee advocates the use of Cranium Cafe for counseling services.

Two online teaching conferences are scheduled for next summer. Contact the committee for details.

Informational Technology

Progress is being made on the Cybersecurity program. Training will be offered within the next two years.

SLO

Mapping is close to completion. Allyson Cartagena has offered her assistance in the process.

The Outcomes Committee will be trained on inputting data.

RHCFA

The association is negotiating the next contract. The academic calendar is being discussed with regard to the length of intercession. Contact Marie Eckstrom with concerns.

IV- Department Breakouts

The division broke into departmental groups to discuss curriculum and class-size issues.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Matthis

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