

College Council Minutes
December 3, 2010



Present: Greg Chamberlain, Jennifer Johnson, Nick Strobel, Laura Borneman, Tom Greenwood, Joyce Ester, LaMont Schiers, Pam Boyles, Anna Agenjo, Nan Gomez-Heitzeberg, Brent Damron, Kathy Rosellini, Sue Vaughn, Candice Sifuentes, Janet Thomas, Edie Nelson, Karla Tejeda (SGA), Lisa English (SGA), Corny Rodriguez, Debbie Spohn (recorder)

Guests: Kate Pluta (Accreditation Steering Committee), Diana Kelly (IEC), Joyce Kirst (AcDev), Kim Van Horne (AcDev)

Accreditation

Kate provided a document developed by ASC for those serving on Self Evaluation Committee (SEC). This will provide the framework for the construction of the self evaluation document. (It is also available electronically.)

- ☞ **Action Item:** Kate will provide the summary document of the standards and mission to the next meeting.

Program Review - Academic Development

Kim Van Horne and Joyce Kirst represented the Academic Development Department. Kim stated that the department has grown extensively over the past 5 years. Sections are up 20%; head count is up 40%; success lab has grown 800%. Success and retention have improved to 70%. The department maintains a data-driven focus. AcDev worked with vocational areas to design CAS workshops to address basic skills needs within specific disciplines. A study skills course was piloted this fall; data regarding the learning outcomes for this pilot course should be available soon.

The department is working to assess outcomes more effectively. To that end, they have standardized the test to provide more consistent data. The department received an Exemplary Program award from the state, which is the third recognition awarded within the past 10 years.

When asked how they would address faculty reluctant to participate in assessment for fear that the information may be used in performance evaluations, Joyce answered that part of the job of a teacher is to continually search for ways to better serve their students. A 70% success rate is an improvement from previous years, but still isn't satisfactory. All faculty need to use every means of assessment available to highlight areas where improvement is needed so the students they serve will continue to improve.

Nan commended the department for their commitment to continually assess performance to strive for quality.

Minutes - 11/19/10

No corrections to the minutes were noted. Changes may be forwarded to the President's Office.

Construction

The update from the District Construction Office was posted and has been reviewed by the Facilities Planning Committee. A dedication/celebration for the PV Field is scheduled for December 8 at 10 a.m. on the grassy area between FACE and the Outdoor Theater. Construction on the SAM Modernization project may begin as early as fall 2011. Work to recover the parking structure for handicapped parking at the stadium will begin immediately following high school graduations, as part of the planetarium project. Immediately following BC graduation, Phase II of the PV Field - the slurry coat on the parking lot - will commence. As part of the PV field project, a shade structure over the handicapped parking area will be provided, which is a DSA requirement. The project to replace doors in the Administration Building and others was approved and will now go to bid. This will also be a summer project.

Budget

a. Budget Committee - The first meeting is scheduled for next week. This committee will be providing regular updates to the Council.

☞ **Action Item:** A list of Budget Committee members will be provided.

b. BAM review & feedback - It is not too late to forward comments to the members of BAM committee. Kate Pluta, Lynne Krausse, and Nan Gomez-Heitzeberg represent BC.

Greg provided general comments on the budget status. While the news from the state continues to be bleak, mid-year cuts are not anticipated for KCCD. Growth money for community colleges has been eliminated. The State Senate & Assembly have been called back into session to deal with budget issues. Documents are being developed to help educate incoming legislators on the current challenges facing education. Legislators are being invited to individual campuses to heighten awareness of the issues at hand.

Enrollment Management

Sue reported that BC experienced the largest number of students enrolling for first day of open registration for spring term - 3,275; spring term now exceeds 15,000. Nan emphasized that the college is not being compensated for all the students now being served. The goal for fall will be to avoid adding sections, and instead shift sections from adjunct instructors to full time instructors.

Faculty will have the opportunity to add additional students, assuming the facilities and pedagogy will support the addition. Greg hopes to announce which faculty positions will be advertised for fall by next week.

Goals

The subcommittee meets next week, and will have a report at the next College Council meeting.

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☞ **Action Item:** Status will be provided before the next meeting.

Rumor Control

An article appeared in the Californian last night regarding the playoff game between two local high schools. A request was made to have the game at Memorial Stadium, but the Kern High School District declined once the cost was determined. The fact is that all operational costs are included in the calculation; stadium fees are established by board policy. If tickets are to be sold for an event, BC collects \$1/ticket sold; the BC football team pays this same per ticket amount. An offer was also made to negotiate stadium use fees in exchange for a reduction of rates for classroom rental at Stockdale High School; this was also declined. Board Policy dictates that BC retain 90% of the profit from concessions; but BC also assumes 100% of the cost of operating the concessions.

In an effort to maintain high community exposure, the Alumni Barbecue and numerous Foundation events have been moved back to campus.

Things we need to know...

Candice reported that there will be an e-mail regarding changing the login to Banner; this is NOT a phishing attempt. Everyone will be asked to change passwords.

☞ **Action Item:** It was suggested that Bonnie send out an e-mail prior to the change request, explaining what is coming and when to expect it.

Lisa reported for SGA on their activities this semester. In an effort to create a welcoming environment for all students, training on SAFESPACE - a program for providing counseling to Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual/Transgender students is being planned. The training dates are 1/10/11 9-12, 1/11/11 1-4 p.m., 2/5/11 9-12, 3/2/11 3-6 p.m., 4/29/11 9-12, and 5/2/11 3-6 p.m. Lisa provided student pantry donation bags for those interested; a food distribution is scheduled for next Thursday prior to the break.

A list of topics explored at a recent conference by SGA officers will be posted; conference attendees will be available to visit classrooms. More coats are needed for the coat give-away.

Joyce Ester reported on the SDCC survey results.

☞ **Action Item:** The SDCC survey results will be posted for Council members' use.

Watch e-mail for an SDCC professional development calendar, which should be

coming out before winter break.

EOPS is hosting their annual Christmas party for the children of EOPS students. If you would like to provide a gift for a child, please visit the Christmas Tree in the EOPS office to draw a name.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The tentative December 10 meeting is cancelled. College Council will meet again January 21, 2011.