Faculty Development Committee Meeting

Minutes for Tuesday, May 14, 2019

Library 202, 1-1:50 pm

| Present | Name | | Division | |
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| Х | Stacey Allen* | (SA) | Behavioral & Social Sciences | |
| | Alireza Ahmadpour | (AA) | Fine Arts | |
| | Dustin Black | (DB) | Behavioral & Social Sciences | |
| | Rose Ann Cerofeci | (RC) | Humanities | |
| Х | Briita Halonen | (BH) | Humanities | |
| Х | Amy Herrschaft | (AH) | Counseling | |
| | Rachel Ketai | (RK) | Humanities | |
| | Sheryl Kunisaki | (SK) | Library & Learning Resources | |
| Х | David McPatchell | (DM) | Compton College | |
| Х | Polly Parks | (PP) | Natural Sciences | |
| | Margaret Steinberg | (MS) | Natural Sciences | |
| Х | Claudia Striepe | (CS) | Library & Learning Resources | |
| Х | Lisa Mednick Takami | (LMT) | Professional Development | |
| Х | Evelyn Uyemura | (EU) | Humanities | |
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<u>Mission Statement</u>: The El Camino College Faculty Development Committee provides opportunities and support to promote instructional excellence and innovation through faculty collaboration.

Fall 2018 Meetings: September 11 & 25, October 9 & 23, November 13 & 27 **Spring 2019 Meetings:** February 26, March 12 & 26, April 23, May 14 & 28

Faculty Professional Development Plans

The committee reviewed and revised a PD Plan draft. These plans will be completed on Cornerstone with the intention of setting professional development goals at the start of each academic year. The PD Plan draft will be presented to the Academic Senate on May 21st.

Sample Syllabus Statements

The committee reviewed sample syllabus statements to be presented to the Academic Senate on May 21st. Discussion ensued concerning the number and length of syllabus statements and alternative means for disseminating this important information to students. The committee agreed that while this is valuable information for students, there may be more effective ways to make it available. Posting the information on Canvas, rather than on the syllabus, or noting relevant pages in the Catalog, were some of the options discussed.

Fall Professional Development Day - Thursday, August 22, 2019

The committee discussed potential keynote speakers and themes for Fall PD Day, including:

| Speaker | Recommender | Торіс |
|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Dr. Gary Rybold | Diana Crossman | Guided Pathways |
| | | What employers are looking for |
| Dr. Craig Smith | Rosemary Swade | 1 st Amendment/Freedom of |
| | | Speech |
| Synthia Saint James | Lisa Mednick | Developing Your Creative |
| | | Process |
| RP Group | Claudia Striepe | Guided Pathways |
| Dr. Victor Rios | Stacey Allen | Transforming Education |

SA noted that Dr. Rybold and Dr. Smith have come highly recommended by colleagues in Communication Studies. Both potential speakers have expressed enthusiasm for speaking at ECC and flexibility in their speaking fee. In reviewing a YouTube video of Dr. Rybold welcoming incoming freshmen at Irvine Valley College, the FDC determined they would prefer to consider other candidates. While some FDC members were intrigued by Dr. Smith's area of expertise, concern was expressed that a discussion of the 1st Amendment may have limited appeal to faculty and staff and his focus may not relate to other topics to be included in the general session, such as Guided Pathways.

CS and PP recommended the FDC consider speakers from the RP Group (Research, Planning, and Professional Development for California Community Colleges) who could speak directly to issues and/or initiatives at El Camino. PP noted their website lists several topics that could be of interest; she will forward information to the FDC. LMT concurred that the RP Group is very reputable and reiterated the need for a speaker who inspires faculty returning from summer.

LMT shared information about Synthia Saint James, a local artist who could speak about creative problem solving. In addition to delivering the keynote address, Synthia would facilitate two breakout sessions. Her speaking fee is \$4,000, similar to what was paid to Dr. Frank Harris who delivered the Fall 2018 PD Day address. LMT is in the process of checking Synthia's references and will report back to the FDC.

Updates/Announcements:

Wellness Warriors:

Lunch & Learn Wellness Wednesdays: Stress, Meditation and Movement will take place on May 15th, 1:00-2:00, Distance Education Center (DE 166). This session will explore the connection between chronic stress and chronic disease and the roles that meditation and movement play in disease prevention.

Thirty Minute Thursdays: 30 Minute Roll Out and Recovery – the last session of the semester will take place on May 23th in the TLC.

Informed & Inspired

Fostering Knowledge and Networks for ECC's Foster Youth Students will be presented by Anna Brochet, Keiana Daniel, and Ngozi Akosia in the TLC on May 30th, 1:00-1:50.

The Personal is Political - Spoken Word Poetry Workshop

LMT encouraged the FDC to share information with students about The Personal is Political, a spoken word poetry workshop which will take place May 16th in the Student Activities Center.

Adjourned 1:51 SA/5.16.19