

Sign Language Department Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2025

Attendance: Tim Gough, Erica Barrett (Interpreter), Tawnya Cola (Counselor), Scott Kushigemachi, Ed Rice, Erica Soohoo

General Business:

1. Florida ASLTA Conference
 - Tim clarified that the conference in Florida sponsored by the same group affiliated with the national conference but hosted by one of the chapters. Chapter conferences go into more specifics on various topics such as RSI, whereas the national conferences focus on more general information.
2. Recap on CSULB
 - Tim shared updates from the ASL event he attended at CSULB. Both CSUN and CSULB are interested in creating transfer agreements/pathways with ECC.
3. Curriculum Proposals
 - ASL 242 and 252 courses are being proposed to replace the SLAN 234 and 236 courses. Tim will continue to work with the curriculum team to get the courses approved so that they can be offered beginning academic year 2027-2028.
4. Expand on Deaf Culture in Proposals: ASL 112, 113, 114
 - Scott shared the CalGETC requirements and encouraged Tim to include more information on how the courses cover deaf culture, since many courses get denied as Humanities courses under CalGETC because they don't have enough emphasis on culture.
5. Department Fund and ASLTA Items for Purchase
 - Tim would like to use the department fund to purchase software that allows students to practice. He will work on finding and providing more information.
6. Active Shooter Drill on 9/25
7. RSI
 - Scott shared the RSI checklist and information on an RSI workshop that will be held on 10/2.
8. Program Revisions
 - This item was tabled until the next meeting.
9. Book Vouchers
 - This item was tabled until the next meeting.
10. Placement Process
 - This item was tabled until the next meeting.

Updates:

- A. Academic Senate (Stephanie B., Larry, Brittany, Sean, Erica B.)
 - No representatives in attendance.
- B. AFT/Union (Stephane M., Elayne, Mora, Sean)
 - No representatives in attendance.
- C. ASO
 - No representatives in attendance.
- D. Counseling (Sabra, Amy, Rocio, Tawnya)
 - University Fair Flyer (Emailed)
- E. DCC (Chelsea, Matt K.)
 - No representatives in attendance.
- F. Guided Pathways (Argelia, Chris P.)
 - No representatives in attendance.
- G. SLO (Andrew, Nida, Elise)
 - No representatives in attendance.