

Student Services Area Council Meeting
September 11, 2024, 9:45 – 10:45 a.m.

Attendees: April Bernabeo, Breeanna Bond, Cindy Chong, Marco Colom, Leslie Delgado, Kirsten Gabourel, Edith Gutierrez, Brian Krause, Marleen Ledesma, Andres Osorio, Ruben Ruiz, Jeff Stephenson, Henry Ta, Sharilyn Thomas

The meeting began at 9:47 a.m.

Budget

1. Still looking for ways to save money for the 2025-26 school year. Looking at an \$18 million deficit.
 - a. SRP is a strategy to help reduce personnel costs.
 - b. Assess where duplication is occurring
 - c. Sharing costs of events, activities, etc.
 - d. 10 positions are frozen
2. Budget approved at the September Board of Trustees Meeting is on BoardDocs
3. Reach out to VP Stephenson or VP Lopez if you have any questions regarding the budget

Reorganization

1. All the areas have to reorganize
2. Putting together a working group from all divisions in Student Services to brainstorm reorganization. If you have a suggestion of who should be in that workgroup, please let VP Stephenson know.
3. Feel free to share your ideas of reorganization in this meeting
4. Will need to assess space in the Student Services Building
5. Counseling appointments online need to be made easier for students to schedule and move away from having to making an appointment by phone
6. There should be a simplified webpage that is easy for students to navigate
7. There needs to be better signage in the Student Services building to direct students
8. Signage in the parking lot to let students know that the first floor is for staff only
9. Students really need guidance the first couple of weeks. Staff can be floaters to monitor the lines to ensure students are in the right line.
10. There could also be an interactive map to help students navigate inside of the Student Services building

Announcements

1. Student Health Services, Library, and Bookstore have COVID tests
2. ASO and ICC have served over 5,000 students in the first two weeks of welcome events
3. CARE and CalWORKs Warrior Holiday takes place in December. Moving towards fundraising/monetary donations, but would like any connections with toy companies.
4. Scholarship workshops are coming up. M. Colom has a flyer that he can share. Residency status is not an issue.

5. MOCAN started their barbershop talks and FIRST will have an event on Saturday, September 14th
6. EOPS is accepting fall applications until end of October
7. Career Services webpage has been updated with workshops in September. Refer students to Career Services Center.
8. There is more fraudulent activity
9. There will be a discussion for the 2025-26 Academic Calendars today

The meeting ended at 10:44 a.m.