ESL Department Meeting Minutes April 30, 2024

In-Person Attendees: Matt Kline, Debra Mochidome, Jenny Simon; Other: Lucas Maldonado (ASO)

Division Office: Scott Kushigemachi, Allison Carr, Erica Soohoo

Zoom: Elise Geraghty, Rebecca Loya, Laila Dellapasqua (PT), Palesa Payne (PT);

General Business:

- SSS Grant Opportunity (Jenny)
 - o Jenny shared a grant opportunity that would bring more student services to the ESL population.
- Flowchart Showing How NESL 600 Courses Fit Mirrored Courses? (Debbie)
 - Matt shared a handout about NESL courses. Scott recommended if unsure, students should take the credit ESL placement survey.
- 24-25 Evaluation Schedule (Scott)
 - o Faculty agreed to delay some evaluations to spread them more evenly over the Fall/Spring semesters.
- Program Maps (Scott)
 - o Scott asked for volunteers to help review program maps. Jenny volunteered to assist.
- Mixed Levels in Classes (Scott)
 - Faculty discussed issues with students from multiple levels in NESL classes.
- Credit GSP Update (Scott)
 - Faculty reviewed and discussed data showing differences in the reading placements between the credit
 GSP and Accuplacer test and how students performed based on the classes they chose.
 - o Further research will be done regarding the writing placements.
 - Scott asked faculty to share anecdotal feedback about how they felt about the implementation of the new placement surveys.
- SLAN joining Humanities
 - o Scott informed faculty that Sign Language will be part of the Humanities Division beginning Fall 2024.
- Campus Climate Survey
 - o Scott reminded faculty to complete the Campus Climate Survey if they want to provide feedback.
- Evaluations for NESL classes
 - Jenny shared that it is difficult to get students to provide feedback and have their voices heard for faculty evaluations in NESL classes when surveys are only completed online.
- AAPI Reading Event
 - o Debbie encouraged faculty to attend the AAPI reading event on 5/9/2024 in the SJC from 2-3 p.m.

Updates:

- Academic Senate (Stephanie B., Shane, Kevin, Brent, Sean)
 - No representatives present
- AFT/Union (Shane, Susan, Elayne, Mora, Sean)
 - Laila informed faculty of the next negotiations meeting on Friday, 5/3.
- ASO (Llendy, Emily, Lucas)
 - o If interested in a classroom presentation by ASO, contact Lucas or ASO email.
 - Lucas shared upcoming ASO events:
 - ICC Elections Week of 5/6
 - Picnic and Painting 5/8
 - Career and Transfer Decision Day 5/15
 - Finals Madness TBD

- o ASO is hoping to find someone to fill the position of Humanities Senator as it is currently vacant.
- Counseling (Sabra, Rosa, Amy, Rocio)
 - No representatives present
- DCC (Chelsea, Matt K.)
 - NESL-04A and NESL-04B passed as open entry/open exit classes. NESL-600 series classes are up for a vote on Thursday, 5/2 to decide whether to change the hard prerequisites to recommended preparation.
- Guided Pathways (Argelia, Chris P.)
 - o No representatives present
- SLO (Andrew, Elise)
 - o Elise informed faculty that beginning Fall 2024 Nida will be taking over as SLO Facilitator.