

Department Chair's Committee

Chair: Mary Kjartanson

Thursday, February 15, 2018, 1:00-2:20 p.m.

Room R3-100

Minutes

Attendees: Mary Kjartanson, Mary Hart, Larry Pink, Andrew Lowe, Nicholas Gehler, Daniel Igou, Dawn DiMarzo, Carmen Jay, Andrew Lowe, Scott Moller, Alan Viersen, Namphol Sinkaset, Jordan Omens, Kirk Webley, David Mehlhoff, Kandice Brandt, Francois Bereaud, Molly Fassler, Dan Willkie, Joe Young, Kevin Petti and Darren Hall

Other Attendees: Laura Murphy and Wheeler North

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 1306
- II. **Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was unanimously approved (Sinkaset/Hart).
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes were unanimously approved (Pink/Willkie).

IV. New Business

- A. Academic Senate's Position on the Proposal for Guided Pathways Grant Award Discussion (Murphy):

Murphy reported on the progress of the AS GP Proposal. Murphy reviewed the evolution of GP from the perspective of the Academic Senate. Murphy voiced concern over lack of faculty input in the Campus discussion of Guided Pathways. Murphy shared that there is heavy evidence statewide that faculty need to be front and center in the GP process. Murphy explained that faculty and administration attended an IEPI Guided Pathways workshop where the GP Assessment Tool was initially circulated and reviewed by Miramar workshop attendees. The tool was reviewed and the rankings were deemed inaccurate by faculty attendees. Murphy said that the GP Assessment Tool was completed by committees but was heavily influenced by administrators. The unresolved self-assessment tool was reviewed in Academic Senate Executive Committee with the College President. The College President said that she would not revise the document with AS feedback but would submit both self-assessment documents. Murphy said that the self-assessment was subsequently submitted to the State Chancellor's portal in form and format that was not approved or supported by the Academic Senate President. Murphy said that after submission of the self-assessment, the College President contacted the State Chancellor's Office to apprise them of the breach in the document submission. The Academic Senate President was not informed of the breach in the submission. Murphy said that as a result of the document submission, the State has two different conflicting documents. North said that because of the disparity in the rankings, functionally we have no base from which to proceed. Murphy said that if faculty and administration don't reach agreement on the self-assessment, we may need to move to Collegial Consultation. Faculty discussion ensued. Murphy asserted that faculty have not been provided the opportunity to take a central role in Guided pathways. North said that this is an opportunity for faculty to assume an active in the process. Murphy discussed the central role of a taskforce in moving forward with GP. Murphy asserted that the Academic Senate Proposal for Guided Pathways Grant Award should be supported in moving forward with Guided Pathways and that faculty should start exploring GP independent of administration.

B. Collegial Consultation Discussion (Murphy):

Murphy reiterated that if faculty and administration do not reach agreement on Guided Pathways, Collegial Consultation would be the next step in the process. Murphy encouraged faculty to attend the IEPI GP 2nd workshop on February 21st.

C. Participation in College-wide Planning Summit (Kjartanson):

Kjartanson solicited input on faculty participation in the planning summit. Faculty voiced concern over the focus of the summit. Agreement was reached that Guided Pathways should not be the topic of discussion. Mehlhoff reported that the focus of the summit will be "Student Success".

D. Chair's Committee Meeting with AFT (Petti):

Petti recommended that the Chairs meet once or twice a semester to bridge the gap between the bi-annual Uber-Chairs meetings. Kjartanson suggested that an AFT standing report should be created in Chairs'. Petti said that we would not have ample time for discussion. Petti suggested a meeting for March 22, 2018.

E. District Appointed Counseling Position (Kjartanson):

Kjartanson reported that the District back-filled positions for counseling as a result of reduction in work hours. She explained that the reduction in work hours was negotiated by the AFT in an attempt for counseling faculty to attain parity with classroom faculty hours. Miramar was allotted one counseling faculty. Faculty discussion ensued. Kjartanson cautioned that classroom faculty positions could be reallocated to non-classroom faculty.

V. Old Business

A. Review of Chair's Committee Chairs Recommendation to Revise Academic Affairs' Electorates (Kjartanson):

Chairs reviewed the changes to the Academic Affairs' electorates and reminded Chairs to be thoughtful in the revisions. Faculty discussion ensued.

VI. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 1423.

****San Diego Miramar College Fall 2013 – Spring 2019 Strategic Goals:***

- 1. Provide educational programs and services that are responsive to change and support student learning and success.***
- 2. Deliver educational programs and services in formats and at locations that meet student needs.***
- 3. Enhance the college experience for students and the community by providing student-centered programs, services, and activities that celebrate diversity and sustainable practices.***
- 4. Develop, strengthen, and sustain beneficial partnerships with educational institutions, business and industry, and our community.***