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San Diego Miramar College Academic Standards Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

October 9, 2014, 12:30 – 1:30
M-202

Present: George Beitey; Paul Chlapecka; Paula Christopher; Marc Holman; Isabella Feldman; Francine McCorkell; Carol Murphy; Mara Sanft

1) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 12:31 p.m.

2) Approval of agenda

The agenda was approved by consensus.

3) Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes from the last meeting were approved by consensus.

4) Adjudication of student petitions

a) Waiver of one PE activity course requirement (petition reference # 310)

Committee members pointed out that the petition reference number should have been #334. The committee reviewed the petition and the documentation provided. Committee members agreed that the petitioner completed an approved Firefighter I academy. After further brief discussion, the committee voted to approve the petition.

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b) Substitution of one PE course for AS degree requirements (petition reference # 478)

Committee members pointed out that the petition reference number should have been #371. The committee reviewed the petition, the documentation provided and the local graduation requirements. Committee members agreed that the petitioner completed a course that was an activity course. After further brief discussion, the committee voted to approve the petition.

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- c) Waiver of two PE activity course requirements (petition reference # 635)

The committee reviewed the petition and the documentation provided. Committee members agreed that the petitioner completed an approved Firefighter I academy. After further brief discussion, the committee voted to approve the petition. P. Christopher abstained from the vote.

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- d) Substitution of two PE courses for AS degree requirements (petition reference # 763)

After carefully reviewing the petition, the committee members noted that petitioner is requesting substitution of one PE course, not two PE courses as previously indicated on the agenda. The committee reviewed the petition and the documentation provided. After further brief discussion, the committee voted to approve the petition.

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5) Old Business

- a) District memo regarding Course Waivers and Substitution Update

M. Sanft provided an update on the on-going discussions regarding the district memo on course waivers and substitutions sent by former Vice Chancellor Otto Lee in Spring 2014. The item was discussed at the 9/11/14 CIC meeting and at a recent DGC meeting. M. Sanft shared with the committee that B. Haidar, Miramar's Academic Senate President, attended the District Governance Council (DGC) meeting and reported the outcome to Miramar's Academic Affairs Committee. It was reported that the DGC determined that students awaiting graduation from spring 14 would have waivers approved. P. Christopher confirmed that waivers were processed for students who needed the courses to graduate. Those that needed additional units for graduation would be reviewed on a case by case basis.

- b) Proposed revision of Certificate of Performance in Honors Global Competencies

The committee discussed the history and outcome of the proposal and requested that M. Sanft invite the Honors faculty members to the next meeting in order to revisit the preferences and course sequences previously proposed by each group. M. Sanft will provide the committee and Honors faculty the information prior to the next meeting.

6) New Business

- a) Proposed revision of Associate of Science Degree in Occupational Technical Studies

The committee reviewed the additional courses proposed by the Business Dept. After further brief discussion, the committee voted to approve the changes to the degree.

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- b) Associate of Arts Degree in Selected Studies
- c) I. Feldman inquired about the purpose and use of the degree. She explained that the degree is not widely marketed by Counselors due to lack of information on the process for developing a plan with students and applicable careers. P. Christopher shared City and Mesa's guidelines, but informed the committee that Mesa deactivated their degree in Selected Studies. The committee discussed the options to keep or deactivate Miramar's degree. All members agreed that it would be beneficial to review the guidelines being used at our sister college and research applicable careers in order to have further discussion regarding the proposed actions.

7) Standing Reports

- a) Evaluator

None

- b) Articulation Officer

M. Sanft shared that two new ADTs are being submitted for approval – Psychology and Economics.

8) Roundtable

9) Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 1:31 p.m.