



Student Services Council
July 23, 2009
Meeting Notes

Present:

Betty Hayes, Betty Sjoblom, Jason Hosenev, John Krause, Josie Swim, Mary Jane Melink, Meghan DeGallier, Renee Carney, Sallie Parson, Sandie St. Onge, Selah Mitchell, Wendy Hall, William Ezell, and Mary Harding, Chair

Not Present: Arlene Lopes, ASLCC representative, Barbara Schoeffler, Bunpa Lim, Butch Henderson, Carol Carlson, Chad Meadors, Christina Treviño, Dina Morris, Donna Walker, Elena Wilkins, Jenny Smith, Jim Roffler, Karla Rivers, Kirc Roland, Laura Hammer, Lynn Lawrence, Marisa Greear, Mary Stone, Megan Jasurda, Pat Boerner, Raeleene Akin, Ronda Manick, Roxana Ahmadifard, Tamra Bell, Therese Montoya, and Wes McGee

➤ **Division Items**

- **SHB 1758 – Expanding Options for Students to earn high school diplomas** - Mary Harding provided information about this new House Bill which goes into effect on July 26, 2009. It is not retroactive. Basically, the bill allows students who may not have graduated from high school to request and receive a high school diploma if 1) they were previously Running Start students and they return to college and complete their AA degree or 2) they complete their AA degree after their 21st birthday.
- **Work Study** – Mary Harding reported that our initial allocation for 2009-10 is equal to the initial allocation for 2008-09, but additional allocations later in the year are not yet known. Our initial allocations this year will be \$50K less, which will hopefully lessen the need to “take away” funds as we near the end of the fiscal year as we did last year.
- **Enrollment Update** – Mary Harding reported that enrollments across the board are up summer quarter with the exception of personal interest and community education courses. Current summer enrollment is 104% above final summer enrollment last year! Betty Sjoblom reported that 890 applications have been approved for Financial Aid.

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- **Committee Reports** – (details at - <http://lowercolumbia.edu/internal/committees/>)
 - **Assessment Committee – Wendy Hall** – The summer institute has concluded review of citizenship and numeracy. Next year the institute will review interpersonal skills and communication.
 - **Financial Aid Committee – Josie Swim** - A reinstatement meeting is scheduled for the end of summer quarter for students hoping to reinstate their financial aid for fall quarter. Two more meetings will be scheduled just before the fall quarter application deadline.

- **Around the Table** – Everyone present introduced themselves by name, title, and location to help our newest member, William Ezell, become familiar with us and what we do.
 - **Mary Harding** – The August Student Services Council meeting (8/27) is cancelled.
 - **Betty Hayes** – The ID machine is grinding out cards again, literally!
 - **Jason Hoseney** – Grant re-writing is underway. Student Support Services is still accepting qualified students.
 - **John Krause** – Tamra Bell and Dina Morris are busy working to get dislocated workers enrolled. The Perkins and Tech Prep grants are both due next Thursday, keeping John very busy writing.
 - **Josie Swim** – Ten new scholarships are available. Direct students to log into STARS before the August 20 application deadline.
 - **Renee Carney** – On-line advising is catching on and growing.
 - **Sandie St. Onge** – We have a new international student from Australia joining the three returning from Japan, Sweden, and Afghanistan fall quarter.
 - **Selah Mitchell** – The MEDA program opened up 8 additional spaces to allow several students on the wait-list to enroll.

The next Student Services Council meeting is scheduled for September 24.