



Student Services Council
August 27, 2009
Meeting Notes

Present:

Barbara Schoeffler, Betty Hayes, Christina Treviño, Jenny Smith, John Krause, Mary Jane Melink, Meghan DeGallier, Megan Jasurda, Sandie St. Onge, Selah Mitchell, Tamra Bell, William Ezell, and Mary Harding, Chair

Not Present: Arlene Lopes, ASLCC representative, Betty Sjoblom, Bunpa Lim, Butch Henderson, Carol Carlson, Chad Meadors, Dina Morris, Donna Walker, Elena Wilkins, Jason Hosenev, Jim Roffler, Josie Swim, Karla Rivers, Kirc Roland, Laura Hammer, Lynn Lawrence, Marisa Greear, Mary Stone, Pat Boerner, Raeleene Hanset, Renee Carney, Ronda Manick, Roxana Ahmadifard, Sallie Parson, Therese Montoya, Wendy Hall, and Wes McGee

➤ **Division Items**

- American Recovery & Reinvestment Act/Co-Lo – Tamra Bell provided information on the four programs and the process prospective students must follow. These programs must be started by fall quarter and completed by the end of June. William Ezell provided further information on the “free” (fully-funded scholarship) training opportunities through the ARRA program. Dislocated workers and low-income adults may be eligible and must apply for financial aid. It is preferred that students be at a MATH 92 level. We also heard from Barbara Schoeffler that Bonneville Power Administration is once again offering their apprenticeship program certificates for substation, electrician, and lineman positions if students remain enrolled for the full program. Information will be provided at an 11:00 workshop in the Student Center on October 15.
- Recruiting for ASLCC – Mary Harding reported that paid positions are open and we should encourage appropriate students to apply as broad campus representations is desired to make expenditure and activity decisions. It was suggested that position information and job descriptions be posted on line and on HireConnections.
- Report on Graduation Application Changes – Meghan DeGallier reported that the new High School Diploma option is now included on all AA degree application forms. Students are eligible if they completed their AA degree July 26 or later and are at least 21 or under 21 if they were Running Start students. Students should be encouraged to work with their advisors.

- Productivity Update – Mary Harding reported that in an effort to be more efficient, we will no longer provide paper ASSET placement evaluations or printed class rosters (except at mid-term).

➤ **Around the Table**

- **Barbara Schoeffler** – An ICP student in the HVAC program has been hired part-time, as well as a Veterinary Assistant, and a Pharmacy Tech (on a fill-in basis).
- **Betty Hayes** – There are lots of events scheduled for the coming quarter, including College Preview Days, Parent’s Night, Steps to Success, and recruiting for veterans. Watch for further announcements!
- **Christina Treviño** – There are 25 students completing their Opportunity Grant program fall quarter, so recruiting is on-going for another 50-60 students. The funding is slightly high this coming year.
- **Mary Harding** – Enrollment is 45% ahead of last year at this time. Encourage students to use the waitlist system as it is used to determine the need for additional class sections. Our HVAC system is currently running at 1/3 capacity, so keep the doors open as needed. Let the Entry Center know of any event times and locations you have arranged as the Entry Center is the first place we should go to when attempting to assist folks from off-campus who may be looking for assistance in such searches.
- **Mary Jane Melink** – The *Fact Book* is under revision.
- **Megan DeGallier** – Summer degrees and summer completions have been posted.
- **Meghan Jasurda** – “Thanks for the welcome to Student Services Council!” Megan has been busy learning job duties, setting up interpreter schedules, and shadowing staff at Clark and Centralia.
- **Sandie St. Onge** – We have two new international students from Australia and Iran/South Africa joining our current students from Sweden, Japan, and Afghanistan. Sandie is knee-deep in policy and procedure updates, academic suspension reinstatement requests, and petitions from students in the Nursing program.
- **Selah Mitchell** – MEDA organization is underway as we prepare for a new director.

- **Tamra Bell** – Worker Retraining funds are down and enrollment is up. The next information session will be held on September 8 and will also be available on-line.

The next Student Services Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 24, which is during the first week of fall classes. Watch for further announcements.