

AWE Committee

AWE Steering Committee Minutes 11/20/09

Attendees: Michelle Vidaurri, Lynn Martin, Doralyn Foletti, John Leamy, Lahna VonEpps, Ashley Bleadorn, Adrienne Seegers, Meryl Soto, Danielle Pellini, Mike Torok, Alicia Kolstad, Gary Mendenhall, Kathy Schultz, Craig Johnston, Kim Zubek, Susan Medeiros, Alex Campbell, Dennis Gervin, Melissa Colon

I. Welcome and Introductions 9:00-9:05

II. Staff Development Request 9:05- 9:25

Math Department instructors presented a request for staff development funds to attend the Annual Conference of the California Mathematics Council for Community Colleges on December 11 -12, 2009.

A highlight of the sessions and budget was presented for all to review and consider for funding.

Action: This request was passed and approved for funding and a travel request needs to be routed for signatures.

Action: The need to create a formal process for requests for funding under the AWE Staff Development fig was identified. The process may be based on the College process with modifications.

Action: FIG developed to work on process – parties are Adrienne Seegers, John Leamy, and Kathy Schultz.

III. FIG Reports 9:25-10:25

Craig: AAC - Good things are happening and students are being served wonderfully, a copy of the statistics is an attachment to the minutes

Doralyn/Michelle: Boots to Books – The Veteran’s Day celebration was good and the library is being started

Melissa: Visibility and Distance Education – Connections are good with the newsletter a tool to share the successes, a copy of Melissa’s report follows the minutes

Vonna: ESL and ESL Enhancement – Enrollment is lower than expected but the Family Literacy Program is being developed. Another ESL Adjunct is needed – send individuals to Mike Torok.

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Alex: Research – Working hard on grants and other jobs.

Craig and Karin: DSPS/LDS Tutoring - still under construction

Adrienne: Embedding Basic Skills Class – Patricia Harrelson is currently offering the class fully online. It has been discussed that a new format may be needed to present the information in smaller “chunks”. The class is being taken by Columbia College faculty and staff and others across the state.

Craig: First Semester Experience – Posters promoting the learning community were presented and will be posted around campus. Those students that are thriving in the program are the returning students – a refinement of the program may be considered.

Gary: House Call and Side Car – nothing new to report

Ashley and Danielle: Student Focus – Developing proposals for a student hang out space and a peer mentoring program for new students. It was suggested that they work with the Student Senate which meets Monday at 2:30PM.

Craig: Summer Support – support is granted and the AAC will be open with tutors as of 6/14/09

Kim: Wellness – The Chicken Soup and Flu kits were a success. They are now reviewing what’s next.

Alicia: On Ramp – All course work is ready and a critical piece – basic computer skills is needed. The administration is working on this piece. a copy of the status follow the minutes

Lynn: Online Orientation – It’s LIVE!!! 11/21/09 will be the first session where the students will have access to the online orientation following their assessment tests.

Susan: Early Alert – Harvest Open House to inform the faculty and staff of opportunities was a success. SARS is undergoing a major update.

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IV. Planning for next year! 10:25-10:30

For the FIGS that are continuing for the 2010.2011 year need to submit the FIG request even if there is no funding needed. The form is the same as used last time and we would prefer an online format but will take hand written forms.

If a copy of the FIG request is needed send Adrienne Seegers or Cindy DuLany an email.

Next meeting: 12/18/09, 9:00-10:30 in the Cellar
Come and celebrate the accomplishments of this semester!

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support of AWE and pull in Culinary as well. We also integrated a lot of home remedies, gave out recipes and lots of information about H1N1, specifically, to dispel some of the myths and fears that accompanying this particular flu. We received donations from several outside sources to support this event and the college.

Kim Zubek