

MINUTES OF THE
COMPTON CENTER FACULTY COUNCIL
March 18, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT: Art Flemming, Shemiram Lazar, Ahmad Manzoor, Jerome Evans, Leonard Clark, Chris Halligan, Michael Odanaka, Shirley Thomas, Tom Norton, Estina Pratt, Saul Panski

MEMBERS ABSENT: Pamella West, Jose Villalobos, Fred Lamm, Eugene Benson, Marjeritta Philips, Annaruth Garcia, Darwin Smith

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: Dr. Susan Dever, Keith Curry,

VISITORS PRESENT: Dr. Fazal Aasi. Silvia Arroyo,. Chelvi Subramaniam

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:20 p.m., by S.Panski

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Agenda was approved with Pratt/Thomas (moved, seconded)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of 4 March 2010 were approved Halligan, Manzoor (moved, seconded)

IV, REPORTS

None

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Because some attendees had left it was decided to table the following two items:

- *Core competencies and SLO Assessment
- * Faculty Involvement Initiative

Professor Subramanniam indicated that the importance of SLO Assessments needs to be conveyed to the entire faculty. Professor Thomas asked if the Torrance faculty were conducting assessments and was informed that many were; however, we are required to conduct our own assessments here at Compton. She added that we were also supposed to document course SLO linkages to core competencies and program SLOs. Lazar indicated that she did not believe the faculty should be held to blame if this was not being done, as the importance and nature of these assessments had not been effectively communicated to faculty. Panski responded by indicating that he held administration responsible for inadequate communication on these matters and added that the E-Board would urge Dr. Cox at its scheduled meeting that afternoon to convene an urgent faculty meeting to discuss accreditation-related matters.

Enrollment Management Plan for 2010-2011

Dean Curry briefly discussed the draft Enrollment Management Plan for 2010-2011 and asked for feedback from the entire faculty. He pointed out that the document has three foci: learning, outreach, and registration services. He added that he would like to bring the draft document back to the Council at its next meeting, for a more in-depth discussion. He also thanked the faculty members who serve on the EM Committee, including Art Flemming and Aurora Cortez-Perez. Curry concluded by stating that the Committee would like to see more workshops to meet student needs and for the LRC to conduct ATB (ability to benefit) testing. Dr. Dever added that we must have as our primary focus student retention.

Director of Institutional Research

Irene Graff discussed the upcoming Campus Climate Survey and pointed out questions that will assess the partnership, as well as those which were unique to the Center. She pointed out that the survey will be administered this semester. Odanaka pointed out that in reading the questions he was confused at times whether he was being asked to state his views about the Center or the Torrance campus. It was suggested that questions pertaining to the Torrance campus and those pertaining to the Center be grouped separately to avoid confusion on the part of survey takers. Manzor pointed out that there were some at Compton who felt that the partnership was not one of equals but one of colonizers and colonized. He also questioned whether it was important to categorize results by ethnicity and gender.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m. following a motion by Manzoor and Norton (moved. seconded).