



Career Education (CE) Committee

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

Business 111 and Zoom

1:00-2:15pm

Zoom: AJ Adelman, Leigh Allen, Tracy Beidleman, Drew Davis, Jenna Gausman, David Hall, Corinne Haynes, Jenny Landa, Hannah Nelson, Sharyn Obsatz, Debbie Perret, Perviz Sawoski, Steven Sedky

In attendance: Rebecca Agonafir, Ruth Casillas, Victoria Charles, Sheila Cordova, Nancy Grass, Jazmin Guzman, Lisa Lewenberg, Dana Nasser, Debbie Perret, Steven Sedky, Redelia Shaw, Howard Stahl

Call to Order: 1:04pm

Public Comments and Announcements:

Approval of Minutes: [April 23, 2024](#)

Dana Nasser motioned to approve the April 23rd minutes, Sheila Cordova second. All are in favor, no abstentions, no oppositions.

Reports:

Chair: Debbie Perret

None

Vice Chair: Steven Sedky

The tech up event from Friday May 3rd was a success – thank you to Jenny Landa and Ruth Casillas for all the behind scenes activities. The Accounting Diversity conference was a great success, this is the 7th year that it has taken place. The student show case is coming up at the CMD, this will be the 2nd year it happens since before the pandemic. Steven also wants to thank the Marketing Department as CE has made the cover of the Fall 2024 schedule – Biotech, Aquaculture, and Homeless have good stories.

Information and Discussion Items:

[Career Services Overview Presentation](#), Jenna Gausman

Students need to be enrolled in at least three (3) units to be able to meet with a Career



Counselor. Counselling 12 is the course we offer to assist students with career advising. We can do presentations in your classroom if needed.

[BCAP Conference Share Out](#), Steven Sedky

The BECAP conference took place on Friday, April 19th at Alta Sea in San Pedro. It was a great success with over 150 people in attendance and we had a great student panel who were full of energy. Santa Monica College is leading the Strong Workforce Regional project and there are thirteen (13) colleges participating.

Ashanti Blaize-Hopkins curated seven (7) Podcast episodes around the Blue Economy. To view – please check out the “Doing What Works” SMC page -

<https://www.smc.edu/about/campuses/cmd/doing-what-works/>

Thank you to AJ Adelman, Patricia Ramos, Ferris Kawar, Ashanti Blaize, Jenny Landa, and Ruth Casillas for supporting the event. There are talks about having another conference next year. More details to follow.

[Catapult Updates](#), Steven Sedky

There are two more sessions happening around “Career Readiness”. One on Tuesday May 14th and the last one on Tuesday May 28th. These are great opportunities for professional development and learning as a team to better prepare our programs and students for success.

[Homeless Certificate Updates](#), Steven Sedky

The Homeless program [website](#) is up and running. We have a dedicated email address and we’ve already received notifications from twenty (20) people stating they are interested in enrolling into the program. This program will start this Fall 2024, and in a cohort model. The Fall semester will have two - three unit classes and three classes will be offered in the spring.

[TechUp Day](#), Howard Stahl

There were over 300 inquiries in regards to attending the TechUp Day event. We had lots of middle school, high school, and College students attend. It was the largest group to fill the lecture hall in the Student Services Center. This event had been held at the CMD but will now be at the main campus due to capacity. Thank you to the Office of Workforce staff for organizing.



LAEP Updates, Lisa Lewenberg

N/A

Perkins, SWP & Lottery Best Practices, Debbie Perret, Drew Davis

Drew Davis will share out at the next meeting. Debbie mentioned that with funding, the Cosmetology department was able to procure the necessary equipment to run the lab - such as new stations, smart classrooms, and updating skin care machines. Debbie also mentioned that through SWP and with the District's help, the department was able to redo the floors, paint the department, put up walls in between large classrooms, and replace cabinetry, plumbing, new shampoo bowls and chairs.

Adjournment: 2:20pm

Next scheduled meeting: March 22, 2024. Location Bus 111 and Zoom. www.smc.edu/senate