



SANTA MONICA COLLEGE  
CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES OF MAY 5, 2010

The Santa Monica College Curriculum Committee was called to order by Guido Davis Del Piccolo at 3:11 p.m.

**Members Present:**

Guido Davis Del Piccolo, Chair	Diane Gross	Judith Remmes
Georgia Lorenz, Vice Chair	Nancy Hanson	Saul Rubin
Brenda Antrim	Randal Lawson	Jeff Shimizu
Brenda Benson	Judy Marasco	Edie Spain
George Davison	Walter Meyer	Mary Lynne Stephanou
		Gary Taka

**Members Absent:**

Yanqing Chen	Helen LeDonne	Maral Hyeler
		Diana Wattapongsakorn

**Others Present:** Laura Manson Wendy Parise

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of April 21, 2010 were unanimously approved.

**Chairs Report:**

- Guido announced that the Global Citizenship AA Degree Requirement and the Study Abroad Approval Process will be tabled from today's meeting.
- Guido announced that the Academic Senate on April 27, 2010, passed the following: New Course—Credit: ET 24C; Prerequisite Changes—ET 24B – removal of ET 19B as a prerequisite, CIS/Accounting 35 – Addition of CIS 1 or CIS 4 as prerequisites.
- Guido announced that Student Affairs had the first reading of a new AR "High School Articulation—Credit by Examination" at the Academic Senate.

**New Courses-- Credit:**

1. **ECE 31: Communicating with Families**—presented by Laura Manson and Wendy Parise. This course will enhance the capacity of early childhood educators to communicate effectively with families about development and developmental concerns. Topics covered will include an overview of typical and atypical child development, parenting and social challenges faced by families of children with special needs, the importance of developmental screening and effective communication strategies for working with families. The ultimate goal of the course is to enhance the relationships between parents and the providers who serve them.

Judith Remmes moved to approve ECE 31 with the following changes:

- > On the Course Approval and Data Sheet:
  - #13 Appropriate Discipline(s) for faculty teaching the course— change to read: "Child Development/Early Childhood Education."
- > On the Course Outline:
  - Course Objectives #H – "Touchpoints" will be defined and submitted by the department for clarification.

The motion passed unanimously.

**New Business:**

**AA Degree GE Pattern:** Allows students to satisfy the General Education portion of the SMC AA degree via SMC GE, CSU GE, or IGETC. Currently, in order for a student to receive an AA degree, the student must complete at least 60 units which satisfy: (1) our local SMC AAGE, (2) the major/area of emphasis and (3) Global Citizenship.

- Upon the Academic Senate's approval, in order for a student to receive an AA degree, the student must complete at least 60 units which satisfy:
  - EITHER
    - Our local SMC, AAGE, or
    - CSU GE, or
    - IGETC
  - The major/area of emphasis, and
  - Global Citizenship

Brenda Antrim moved to recommend to the Academic Senate to accept any of these three degree patterns. The motion passed unanimously.

**Distance Education – Proposed New Form:** There was discussion of the draft of the new form. Judith Remmes and Saul Rubin worked with Wendy Parise and the Distance Education Committee. Wendy Parise emphasized that this is still "a work in progress." The function of the Curriculum Committee is to approve online courses.

If you have suggestions on the new form, please send to the Distance Education Committee.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

**Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Curriculum Committee will be Wednesday, May 19, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. in DH-300E, The Loft.

Respectfully submitted,  
Georgia Lorenz  
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