



Santa Monica Community College District
District Planning and Advisory Council
MEETING – APRIL 11, 2012
MINUTES

A meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) was held on Wednesday, **April 11, 2012** at Santa Monica College, Business Building Room 111, 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, California.

I. Call to Order - 3:03 p.m.

II. Members Present

Randy Lawson, Administration Representative, Chair
Janet Harclerode, Academic Senate President, Vice-Chair
Katharine Muller, Administrative Representative
Mike Tuitasi, Management Association Representative
Eric Oifer, Academic Senate Representative
Sandra Burnett, Faculty Association Representative
Leroy Lauer, CSEA Representative
Cameron Espinosa, Associated Students Representative
Jasmine Delgado, Associated Students Representative

Others Present

Susan Aminoff
Martha Clayton
David Finkel
Luis Gomez
Bob Isomoto
Lee Johnston
Sherri Lee-Lewis
Georgia Lorenz
Jennifer Merlic
Lee Peterson
Andy Riesmeyer

DPAC Coordinator

Lisa Rose

III. The minutes of the DPAC meeting on March 28, 2012 were accepted.

IV. Reports

A. Planning Subcommittees

- Budget Planning: Bob Isomoto and Howard Stahl, Co-Chairs: Discussion included the different budget assumptions for developing the 2012-2013 budget.
- College Services Planning: Mike Tuitasi and Hao Diao, Co-Chairs: No report
- Facilities Planning: J.C. Keurjian and Lee Peterson, Co-Chairs: The subcommittee will resume meeting after spring break and will be reviewing Board Policies and Administrative Regulations related to facilities.

- Human Resources Planning: Sherri Lee Lewis and Patricia Burson, Co-Chairs: No report.
 - Technology Planning: Lee Johnston and Matt Hotsinpiller, Co-Chairs: Discussions included (1) 508 (accessibility) issues related to Google, and (2) the upcoming network upgrade project to increase internet bandwidth and wireless access points on the main campus.
- B. Academic Senate Joint Committees
- Curriculum: Guido Davis Del Piccolo, Chair and Georgia Lorenz, Vice-Chair: Discussions at the last two meetings have focused on changes at the state level and how they impact Santa Monica College administrative regulations pertaining to prerequisites and repetition of activity courses.
 - Program Review: Mary Colavito, Chair and Katharine Muller, Vice-Chair: Program reviews continue and the annual report is drafted for review by the committee members. It will be submitted to DPAC for development of the Master Plan for Education institutional objectives for 2012-2013.
 - Student Affairs: Beatriz Magallon, Chair, and Denise Kinsella, Vice-Chair: Administrative Regulation 4340, Limits for Credit Course Enrollment, was approved.
 - Institutional Effectiveness: Christine Schultz and Esau Tovar, Co-Chairs, and Erica LeBlanc, Vice-Chair: Discussion continued about how departments are collecting learning outcome data and developing the report to be submitted to the Accrediting Commission in Spring 2013.
- C. ACUPCC Task Force: Discussion focused on recommendations for the transportation matrix.
- D. Associated Students: The Associated Students received an email from the Chancellor's Office asking them to donate funds to the Student Senate for the California Community College (SSCCC).
- E. Student Services Task Force (State): No update
- F. State Budget Update: The latest news from the State Controller's Office is that the budget is down about \$1 billion, expenditures are down about \$900 million, and personal income taxes have increased. The May Revise may be better than thought. SMC will end the 2011-2012 year with a \$12 million fund balance (started with \$22 million fund balance). If the tax initiatives on the November ballot don't pass, there will be drastic measures needed.

V. Agenda

- A. Strategic Planning Task Force: The first effort of the Strategic Planning Task Force was to review and revise the *Vision, Mission and Goals* statement. That effort was completed and the revised statement was approved by the Board of Trustees at its last meeting. The second effort to evaluate the planning process is being completed. The third effort to develop new strategic initiatives for the college has resulted in the following two proposed initiatives:

1. GRIT (Growth, Resilience, Integrity, Tenacity) that focuses on non-cognitive skills such as integrity, understanding, perseverance, purposeful engagement)
2. Institutional Imaginations Initiative (i³): the SMC community will envisage a future that focuses on fostering, nurturing, and valuing imagination, creativity, innovation and inquiry.

Motion was made by Erica LeBlanc and seconded by Eric Oifer to approve the two proposed strategic initiatives and to continue tracking the progress on the four current strategic initiatives. The motion was unanimously approved.

B. Advance Your Dream Program (Self-Funded Courses):

Advance Your Dreams Program (Self-Funded Courses): DPAC began the discussion on the issues that related to the proposed program of self-funded courses and the timeline for making a DPAC recommendation. There is ample time for a broad college discussion, since the deadline for making a recommendation would be early September (to allow for a Winter 2013 implementation). It was agreed that the questions that need to be answered are: (1) Should the college offer courses that are not supported by the state, and, if so (2) what should be done, and (3) how should we do it? It was agreed that the representatives on DPAC would pose the question to their respective constituencies and report back at the next DPAC meeting. It was also agreed that a fact sheet be prepared by DPAC for college-wide distribution. The topics to be included on the fact sheet will be discussed at the next DPAC meeting.

Student Cameron Espinoza made a presentation “From Two-Tier to Frontier – How to make self-funded education accessible and equitable.” The presentation focused on financial assistance for students, having a greater system of accountability and involvement, addressing the issue at the state level and reducing costs.

VI. Adjournment- 5:30 p.m.

Meeting schedule through June, 2012 (second and fourth Wednesdays each month at 3 p.m.)

April 25
May 9, 23
June 13, 27

VII. Council of Presidents Meeting

The Council of Presidents set the agenda for the April 25, 2012 DPAC meeting.

Agenda

- A. Master Plan for Education Update - Process
- B. Self-Funded Courses

Recommendations from DPAC Planning Subcommittees to be included on agenda for consideration by DPAC need to be submitted to Lisa Rose one week before the meeting.