



Santa Monica Community College District
District Planning and Advisory Council
MEETING – NOVEMBER 28, 2012
MINUTES

A meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) was held on Wednesday, **November 28, 2012** at Santa Monica College, Business Building Room 111, 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, California.

I. Call to Order - 3:05 p.m.

II. Members Present

Janet Harclerode, Academic Senate President, Vice-Chair
Jeff Shimizu, Administration Representative
Brenda Benson, Management Association President
Katherine Muller, Management Association Representative
Eve Adler, Academic Senate Representative
Mitra Moassessi, Faculty Association President
Connie Lemke, CSEA Representative
Leroy Lauer, CSEA Representative
Parker Jean, Associated Students President
Yacob Zuriaw, Associated Students Representative

Others Present

Jennifer Merlic
Eric Oifer
Peter Morse
Lee Peterson
Howard Stahl

DPAC Coordinator

Lisa Rose

III. The minutes of the DPAC meeting on November 14, 2012 were accepted as corrected.

IV. Superintendent's Response to the following DPAC recommendation approved at the meeting on November 14, 2012.

To celebrate the passage of Proposition 30 and to demonstrate our gratitude to our students and the voters of California, DPAC recommends that the College review offering some level of 2013 Winter Intersession of state-funded classes.

The Superintendent responded with a communication to the college community on November 20, 2012 (see last page).

V. Agenda

A. DPAC Meetings, Winter 2013: The schedule of DPAC meetings during Winter 2013 will be maintained unless it is determined by the Council of Presidents that a meeting is cancelled. DPAC meetings during Winter are scheduled for January 9 and 23, 2013.

B. Strategic Initiatives Update:

Eric Oifer provided an update on the **GRIT Initiative** and displayed the GRIT website which includes a description of the initiative and a list of resource documents and websites. Potential programs are being discussed as part of the development of the initiative. Brenda Benson reported that ETS (Education Testing Service) has developed a survey for college students related to non-cognitive skills. Santa Monica College was selected for a pilot program implemented this fall, and 2,000 new students completed a survey on non-cognitive skills. ETS will collect the information and return the results to the college. There will be data to share with DPAC about students' non-cognitive skills relating to success and retention.

Katharine Muller provided an update on the **Institutional Imagination Initiative (I³)**. The I³ is an umbrella initiative to encourage imagination, innovation, dialog and sharing of information. It is recognized that the college is already doing much imagining and innovating, and the workgroup will develop ways to encourage the sharing of these efforts and results. Technological means will be explored to encourage dialog to connect the different activities and ideas that are fomenting in the college community.

VI. Adjournment- 3:45 p.m.

Meeting schedule through June, 2013 (second and fourth Wednesdays each month at 3 pm).

<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
December 12	January 9, 23
	February 13, 27
	March 13, 27
	April 10, 24
	May 8, 22
	June 12, 26

VII. Council of Presidents Meeting

The Council of Presidents set the agenda for the December 12, 2012 DPAC meeting.

Agenda

A. Reports

- Planning Subcommittees
- Academic Senate Joint Committees
- ACUPCC Task Force
- Associated Students

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.

The following email was sent on November 20, 2012:

Dear Campus Community,

Santa Monica College will proceed with a full offering of general education classes and programs for our six-week Winter intersession.

This decision, formulated in the spirit of the Proposition 30 election victory on November 6, is based on evidence of an improving state economy and our outreach to potential private partnerships for assistance.

We expect to offer at least 250 state-funded credit classes for the Winter session. Classes will begin Wednesday, January 2, 2013. Class listings will be available online Tuesday, November 27 and registration for these classes will begin December 3. Some of the details will need to be worked out in the near future.

The passage of Proposition 30 and the recent Legislative Analyst's forecast have introduced a level of future stability for the College with regard to state funding. For the good of our students and for the good of our State, we are acting now to restore our winter class offerings.

Efforts to secure private assistance are ongoing. The Associated Students of Santa Monica College and a number of private donors have each indicated enthusiasm for this restoration effort. Donations in support of the class offerings can be made online at foundation.smc.edu.

Among other benefits, the session will allow Veterans to continue their classes and maintain their living assistance. The session will also include an innovative offering for international students, who pay the full cost of their instruction and do not rely on State assistance.

With this restored Winter intersession, we expect to help over 10,000 students make progress towards completion of their degrees or certificates.

For more information, please visit SMC's web site at www.smc.edu.

Thank you.

Chui L. Tsang
Superintendent/President
Santa Monica College