

ACADEMIC COUNCIL

September 14, 2010

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

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SUMMARY NOTES

Members Present: Eva Bagg, Don Berz, Lou Anne Bynum, Cathy Crane, Rose DelGaudio, John Downey, Ann-Marie Gabel, Shauna Hagemann, Rigo Ibarra, Chris Jacobs, Don Low, David Morse, Eloy Oakley, Kevin Ryan, Winford Sartin, Sigrid Sexton

Absent: Lynn Shaw

Note Taker: M' Shelle Reece

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

The meeting summary notes of May 18, 2010 were approved.

3. SLO Officer Update and Discussion

Most of the thirty SLO positions have been filled and the new officers have attended training workshops over the summer. SLO positions were originally created with the intent of a 2-year pilot program, but have since been revised to 1-year pilot program because funding for these positions was designated from our General Fund therefore making them subject to negotiations. The 1-year pilot program will need to be evaluated before funding additional years. Therefore, assessment recommendations for further funding are required by early spring to be considered for future negotiations.

2. Course Evaluation Subcommittee/Accreditation Concerns

Academic Senate President Ryan reported Allison Murray, the newly selected Course Evaluation Subcommittee Chair, is getting up to speed quickly. Cathy Crane stated there are many vacancies on curriculum subcommittees due to resignations and she explained the process for filling the vacancies. President Oakley stated concerns over the vacancies have been voiced to him and stressed the importance of making sure the vacancies are filled quickly to ensure we stay on track with our ongoing accreditation work.

3. Educational Master Plan Update

Preparations for the new Educational Master Plan are underway. The Educational Master Plan Community Survey has been distributed to area organizations and is also up the LBCC website, Facebook webpage, and has run in the Press Telegram newspaper. Community and student forums to gain nonbiased input are scheduled for the week of September 27 and campus community forums will follow. President Oakley emphasized what a great opportunity this is for the college to create the plan and encouraged everyone to strive to make the new plan better than the previous noting that a mechanism for the measurement of success should be included.

4. Faculty Hires

President Oakley stated the college may be looking to hire new faculty in the upcoming years and we should know in the next four weeks. Therefore, the college should begin preparations for this now looking at where the need will be and ensure the college will be in the best position for the future. It was recommended that the Hiring Priorities Committee begin the creation of an institutional profile for use as recruiting tool to determine and ensure we secure faculty which are most qualified and suited to teach Long Beach City College student demographics.

5. Enrollment Management

It was reported that the current Enrollment Management Taskforce, charged with updating the Enrollment Management Plan, is not making progress. Council members discussed the many reasons they believe this taskforce has stalled; i.e., times are different than when plan was created in a growth mode, lack of communication, lack of expertise to facilitate changes, lack of understanding the charge, and relation of enrollment management with class scheduling. Academic Senate President Ryan and Executive Vice President Berz agreed to look into this issue further analyzing the charge of the taskforce and bring this issue before the CPC and back to Academic Council.

6. PCC Standing Committee

After analyzing the request for a PCC standing committee, it was agreed that the item should first be brought before the College Planning Committee as the appropriate body to consider the creation of this standing committee.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.