IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE

ENGLISH DIVISION
Approved Minutes
August 22, 2008

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 2:00p.m. by Chairperson D. Zielinski.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Abrams	Michael Heumann	Sidney Rice
Robert Baukholt	Kevin Howell	Deirdre Rowley
Roberta Bemis	Kseniya Kareva	Ed Scheuerell
Patti Biley	Nancy Lay	Christina Shaner
Judy Cormier	Don Martini	Scott Simpson
Lincoln Davis	Brian McNeece	Josefina Thoresen
Kathleen Dorantes	Robin Paine	David Zielinski
Fred Fischer	Leticia Pastrana	
Alex Garza	James Patterson	

MEMBERS ABSENT

Julie Craven	Diane Harris	John McClain

GUESTS

Beatriz Alvarado	Terry Norris	Lourdes Mercado
Beatriz Avila		

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The minutes for May 14, 2008 were approved.
(M/S/C – M. Heumann/R. Paine)

WELCOME BACK
Chair D. Zielinski welcomed back faculty and introduced new members Sydney Rice and Kevin Howell, both ESL faculty.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES (SLO)
By the end of September 2009, at least 50% of Student Learning Outcomes need to be written and identified. By March, 100% of SLO's need to be completed.

BASIC SKILLS INITIATIVE (BSI)
Chair Zielinski shared that he, Deirdre Rowley, Bruce Seivertson and Allyn Leon attended a Basic Skills Conference. One matter discussed was Staff Development. They're looking at having Staff Development resurrected and funded by BSI monies.

Another area of concern that may be addressed with BSI funds is the desks that are in the 500 building. They are rather small desks. Dr. Gould checked on the 500 building classrooms and saw a lot of inconsistencies and things that need attention.

D. Zielinski mentioned that he is working with Dr. Ying on the Technology Report.

ACCREDITATION REPORT STATUS

In regards to our Accreditation, we have been put on a warning status. The Accreditation Team will return in October 2009.

ENHANCEMENT TO READING /WRITING LAB (NEW COMPUTERS)

The Reading/Writing Lab will be getting new computers. The computers will be networked. The Lab will be similar to Room 1502. Writing classes can meet there.

In the meantime regarding money, we are faced with a small speed bump. There has been a freeze placed on spending money. ACCESO Funds have been frozen also.

VALIDATION OF ACCUPLACER TO INCLUDE ESL (ENGL 094 & 095)

Accuplacer Testing now has a new component for ESL testing and data gathering: Engl 094 and 095. It will then be able to appropriately place students in Engl 096.

OTHER

Norma Nuñez and Beatriz Avila were introduced as Counseling Liaisons for English and Beatriz Alvarado and Lourdes Mercado for ESL.

ADJOURNMENT TO LUAU

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40PM.