



Behavioral & Social Sciences Department

BSS Department Meeting
Monday, May 20, 2019
2:40 – 4:00 p.m., Room 413

Minutes

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barcroft, Shawn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gretz, Suzanne (Dept. Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solomon, Lisa
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Camillo, Elvia (Recorder)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Knaak, Manfred	<input type="checkbox"/> Soto, Veronica (Liaison)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cauchon, Steven	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Landeros, Veronica	<input type="checkbox"/> Staton, Robin
<input type="checkbox"/> Drury, Dave (Dean)	<input type="checkbox"/> Patel, Aruna (ADS Coord.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thelen, Austen
<input type="checkbox"/> Duva, Mark	<input type="checkbox"/> Reyes, Barbara	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wainwright, Mary-Jo
<input type="checkbox"/> Epps, Ric	<input type="checkbox"/> Rodiles, Nicole	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wright, Bradford

Call to Order (Chair Gretz)

The meeting was called to order at 2:44 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes (Chair Gretz)

The minutes of April 08, 2019 were approved as amended (M/S/C – L. Solomon/M. Knaak).

2. Update on Fall Scheduling (Chair Gretz)

The late start of fall schedule development caused a delay in the course selection process. Full-time instructors have selected classes and part-time faculty have begun to select classes.

3. Book Orders for Fall Classes (Chair Gretz)

Book orders should be submitted to Elvia prior to the end of the semester.

4. Summer Session (Chair Gretz)

Summer enrollment is ongoing. Face-to-face courses are still available, though nearly all online courses full.

5. Curriculum Updates (Chair Gretz)

Chair Gretz thanked all those who worked on curriculum updates this year. Updates are ongoing; however, most of our programs are now current.

- a. A global plan for the development of DE courses is in the works. Chair Gretz asked each discipline to email her a list of suggested courses to consider as online offerings. Some part-time instructors have expressed interest in developing/teaching online, but full-time instructors have priority.

6. Guided Pathways & Program Pathways (Chair Gretz)

Program Pathways: All program pathway updates are complete. Copies of each discipline pathway were disseminated to appropriate faculty members. Chair Gretz added Math 119: Statistics as a course students need to take to meet their transfer level math requirement. Pathways show the courses need for a student to transfer to a CSU or UC for each given major. Chair Gretz asked that instructors review their areas and let her know of any changes or questions.

Guided Pathways: At a recent Instructional Council meeting, the Guided Pathways tri-chairs shared what they have been working on. The purpose of guided pathways is to assist students who do not already have a clear idea about their college or career goals. A couple of colleges that already have developed guided pathways have information on their websites about their programs. Bakersfield College <https://programmap.bakersfieldcollege.edu/academics> and Sierra College <https://academics.sierracollege.edu/explore-our-academic-programs> are good examples. At Sierra College students can take an online self-assessment as a step toward finding a major.

Ultimately, program pathways and guided pathways will be used to improve long term course scheduling.

7. SLO – PLO Mapping and Program Review (Chair Gretz)

K. Howell maintained the SLO website; however, the Accreditation team was not pleased with it. The District is now taking a proactive approach. A. Thelen's SLO-PLO mapping is on the SLO website, which our Department will use as an example. The new forms are fillable and simpler to use. Regarding Program Review, Chair Gretz did not have much to work with upon the start of her Chair role. She plans on working over the summer to pick up the pieces.

8. Summer Reading Book Club (Chair Gretz)

The iGen textbook, by Jean M. Twenge was purchased for all BSS Full-time faculty. Chair Gretz found the book to be very insightful. It will be available to pick-up in the Department office.

9. Questions/Comments/Concerns (Chair Gretz)

L. Solomon inquired about construction and remodeling of buildings on campus. Chair Gretz stated that it would not happen within the next year or two.

A. Thelen stated that a safety presentation was given at Academic Senate. Photos were taken of offices that were not in compliance and need to be fixed.

10. Best of Luck to Everyone with the End of the Semester Excitement (Chair Gretz)

Chair Gretz wished everyone a great summer.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:24 p.m.