



IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE
Science Department
Monday, November 16, 2015 12:50 p.m.
Room #2727

Mission: The mission of Imperial Valley College is to foster excellence in education that challenges students of every background to develop their intellect, character, and abilities; to assist students in achieving their educational and career goals; and to be responsive to the greater community

Minutes

Members in attendance:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alto Benedicto | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thomas Morrell |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eddie Chang | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susan Moss |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andrew Chien | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ashok Nainpally, Dean |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alex Cozzani | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jia Sun |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Samuel David - Excused | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Pendley |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Fisher | <input type="checkbox"/> Nan Everly |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daniel Gilison | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grace Espinoza |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Russell Lavery | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Said Cañez, Counseling Liaison |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Behrang Madani | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kevin Marty | |

Guests:

Recorder: Ofelia Duarte

- A. Call to Order by Daniel Gilison, SME Department Chair @ 12:56 p.m.
- B. Review and Approval of Minutes of October 26, 2015 were approved unanimously with the following correction: Under New Discussion/3rd bullet - Remove the following sentence: He also mentioned that this matter has been discussed with the union and management.
M/S/C R. Lavery/J. Pendley
- C. **Action Items**
 - a. **Approval of BIOL ADT Degree- D. Gilison**
 - ✓ Motion was made to approve BIOL ADT Degree as presented. FT Biol Faculty met to review Biol ADT approved by chancellor's office. Needed to make course changes and edits to make this ADT viable for IVC. Last science department meeting we approved changes to course outline of record for Biol 180 to line up with states version of the course. Reduced number of units from 5 to 4 in Physics. Math faculty approved reduction for calculus from 5 units to 4. This helps line up everything not only Biol ADT but for other ADT like CS. Changes made in calculus and physics will be relevant to the Chem ADT. Motion was approved unanimously. M/S/C R. Lavery/J. Fisher

b. Deletion of Life Science Degree – D. Gilison

- ✓ Motion was made to approve deletion of local Life Science Degree. With approval of Biol ADT going into effect next academic year. Do we need our local life science degree? Rationale is once you have an ADT in place students can take courses, take their 60 units and it'll be easier to transfer to UC/CSU. Only reason to keep local degree is if it provides a specific series of classes for a specific local opportunity. Most life science and biol students will be transferring and getting their bachelor's degree and the local life science degree will no longer be relevant. Motion was approved unanimously with two abstentions. M/S/C J. Fisher/A. Benedicto

D. New Discussion

a. 2016-2017 Class Assignments- D. Gilison

- ✓ Working on class assignments. They're due this Friday. Will send out email tomorrow with your proposed schedules for Fall and Spring semester of next academic year.
- ✓ Issue with how classes are assigned. Reminder that FT faculty will have a special math and science department meeting two weeks from today. Will send email and hopes to have an action item and approve course selection process.
- ✓ D. Gilison announced that there was a change to the spring 2016 schedule. Chem 204 was added.
- ✓ D. Gilison asked faculty to look at current schedule for this semester because next semester's schedule will be copied over to next year.

b. Funding for Presentation at National Meetings – A. Benedicto

- ✓ A. Benedicto asked about the procedure to fund expenses to conferences. What are the rules and how is it disbursed?
- ✓ Current budget does not have a line item for travel/conferences. There is a budget for mileage.
- ✓ D. Gilison stated that one of the issues he had was getting funding for professional development activities. Unless administration at the highest level are 100% supportive of funding professional development activities the budget that we have will remain the same.

c. Class Caps – D. Gilison

- ✓ D. Gilison reported that negotiations are going on now and the district is proposing to increase class caps for all classes from 28-30.
- ✓ He's concerned because we have fixed seating and fixed tables in our labs.
- ✓ Faculty has the right to take in crashers. If the department decides that we rather keep our classes at 28 then it's really hard to make that argument if some faculty are taking in up to 35 crashers.

E. Other

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F. Next Meeting

- ✓ March 21, 2016

G. Adjournment

- ✓ Chair Gilison adjourned the meeting at 1:55 pm.