



IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE
Science Department
Monday, May 15, 2017 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"/> Susan Moss |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eddie Chang | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave Drury, Dean |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Andrew Chien | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jia Sun |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alex Cozzani | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Setareh Madani |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Samuel David | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patrick Pauley |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Fisher | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nan Everly |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daniel Gilison | <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kevin Marty | |

Guests:

Dr. Francisco Villa, Northern Arizona University

Recorder: Ofelia Duarte

- A. Call to Order by Daniel Gilison, SME Department Chair @ 1:03 p.m.
- B. Review and Approval of Minutes of March 20, 2017 were approved unanimously. M/S/C B. Madani/R. Lavery
- C. **Action Items**
 - 1.
- D. **Communications**
 1. **NAU Yuma SEEDS Scholarship Program – Francisco Villa**
 - ✓ Chair Gilison introduced Dr. Francisco Villa of Northern Arizona University.
 - ✓ Dr. Villa passed out two handouts; Science Program and Supporting Educational Endeavors for Degrees in Science (SEEDS) Scholarship.
 - ✓ **Science Program** - Dr. Villa stated that they have a branch campus at Arizona Western College. Building is dedicated strictly for science courses.
 - ✓ Handle all other division science courses. Designed for students to complete their Associate Degree in Science.

- ✓ Looking for students to transition to NAU.
 - Students need to complete one year of general chemistry.
 - One year of general biology.
 - Math requirements – calculus, calculus I.
 - Ideally complete one year of physics, and at least one semester of organic chemistry.
- ✓ Encourage students transferring from Arizona Western or IVC to complete IGETC. This means you met all your GE requirements.
- ✓ **SEEDS Scholarship** – Northern Arizona University – Yuma Branch Campus was awarded \$600,000 grant in 2015 from the National Science Foundations (NSF) for scholarships for science.
 - Grant will support a cohort of 15 students for two years.
 - Scholarships will be awarded (based upon need) up to \$10,000 per year.
 - Cohorts will participate in natural history field trips, scientific meetings, job fairs, internships, and research-related activities.
 - Eligible students will have a declared major in Biological Sciences or Environmental Science, demonstrate academic talent and financial need and are U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
- ✓ Encouraged faculty to visit website for more information or contact him.

2. SLOs

- ✓ Reminded everyone that if they're accessing SLOs this semester to make sure they're done by the end of this semester and entered into SPOL.
- ✓ Also reminded faculty that J. Kitzmiller, SLO coordinator talked about reducing number of SLO's that we have to make them more streamlined for all of our courses. This is something D. Gilison would like to do but will save for Fall semester.

3. Class enrollment in non-lab classes

- ✓ D. Gilison talked about enrollment data that he generated back in March.
- ✓ Received some feedback. Biggest change was for ENV5 classes. Reduced classes from 9 to 6 for fall semester. Moved some evening classes to morning classes.

E. Other

- ✓ A. Benedicto still needs two volunteers to be judges for the Chem Club sponsored scholarship fund.
- ✓ B. Madani volunteered and J. Fisher volunteered as back-up. A. Benedicto will send out email to math faculty for a volunteer.
- ✓ D. Gilison introduced the new dean, David Drury. D. Drury stated that he enjoys being the advocate for faculty. Encouraged faculty to submit student evaluations. Forms are online. If you have problems accessing them online contact Dean Drury or Silvia Murray.
- ✓ Please only pick two classes. If you have multiple preps he prefers that you pick two different preps. If they're the same just pick any two. Tenured review faculty need to submit evaluations for each of their classes.
- ✓ Dean Drury also announced that there will be attendance rosters for department meetings. Several faculty have not shown up regularly to department meetings. This is something that contractually you need to do. If you can't attend you need to treat it as an absence (sick, PN, etc).

- ✓ Dean Drury also talked about possible campus hour change for spring.

F. Next Meeting

- ✓ August, 2017

G. Adjournment

- ✓ Chair Gilison adjourned the meeting at 1:50 pm.