

Mt. San Antonio College
Disabled Student Programs & Services
Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
Student Services Building (9B), Ragan Room
November 7, 2014, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Facilitators: Don Potter and Julie Bradley
Present: Debi Anderson, Duneen Duffin, Christina Estrada, Lourdes Granda, Trisha Esquivel, Mercille Lush, Daniel Munoz, Pauline Pina, Debbie Rivers, Tannia Robles, Louise Trobel, Ronie Malasador, Amanda Boiko
Notetaker: Brandi Melton
Interpreters: Brandi Williams and Liz Stuard

Meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m.

Welcome and Introductions – Don

Review of Minutes from previous meeting.

Motion to approve minutes: A motion was made and passed to approve the minutes as written.

DHH Center/ New Staff

- The DHH Center will undergo remodeling, however there is no timeline as of yet
- Hired 2 new Lead Interpreters - Jennifer Stephenson and Tina Jenkins
- DHH needs have increased by 30%
 - 200-300 hours of interpreting per month have been added
- Students are commuting to Mt SAC to receive services, bypassing other local colleges
- DHH Center will hire clerical for the front desk
 - Employment opportunities for students; signing will be a job requirement
- There are currently 3 Interpreter Interns in the training program
 - Paid internship
 - 1 year commitment required
 - Intern meets with mentor on a regular basis
 - Receives homework for national test
- 85% pass rate for interns becoming interpreters after completing the internship
- Seeking ideas for DHH Center
 - DHH students have asked for:
 - a person who signs to work at the front desk
 - No voice zone (area)
- Questions/ comments:
 - Can interpreting internships be available to high school students?

Students should complete an Interpreter Training Program prior to entering the Trainee program

New Construction/ Student Success Center

- Rebuilding food court & stadium
- New parking structure
- Student Success Center (3 floor building)
 - High Tech Center (HTC) with a study center (1st floor)
 - Alternate media
 - Veterans Services
 - Meeting space
- Current construction is affecting our blind students and tram services

Disability Awareness Month (DAM)

- Held in October for the past 2 years
- DSPS hosted events & faculty workshops for student outreach and participated in events held by Associated Students (AS)
- Pirate theme as pirates have various disabilities
- Good response from students and employees
- AS gave money to fund DAM; snacks were bought and labeled with our “DAM” logo
- Faculty workshops that were scheduled Mondays were canceled due to lack of participation
- Questions/ Comments:
 - Branch out to high schools & make DAM more visible on outreach visits by HSO
 - Instructors assign assignments/ projects to students relevant to DAM
 - Treasure Hunt
 - Put contact information on DAM giveaways or advertisements
 - Stickers, t-shirts, pins, posters
 - All Student Services dress as pirates
 - Prizes
 - Decorate offices in pirate theme in support of DAM

Round table- Issues/ Questions from Committee Members

- DSPS representatives are wanted to visit high schools
- School reps are getting information about Planning for College and Information Sessions too late to attend
- Not all Special Ed reps are getting event information from Special Ed main contact rep

Meeting adjourned: 10:30 a.m.

Next Meeting Scheduled for May 15, 2015, 8:30-10:30 a.m.