Mt. San Antonio College

Student Success and Support Program Advisory Committee Draft Minutes

October 8, 2014 – 2:30–4:15 p.m.

Committee	Members
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Evelyn Hill-Enriquez	☑ Jim Ocampo, Co-Chair	Michelle Dougherty	Antoine Thomas
Maria Tsai	□ David Beydler	☐ Donna Necke	Nona Stokes
□ Deejay Santiago		□ Dianne Rowley	
Guests:			
Sun Ezzell	☐ Tannia Robles	□ Luisa Howell	X Aaron Salenger

ITEM	DISCUSSION	OUTCOME
1. Minutes – September 24, 2014	The committee reviewed minutes from September 24 th .	Minutes were approved with minor revisions.
2. Rubric Study and AWE Updates	M. Tsai distributed data on the placement distribution and the success rates. Rates enclosed in brackets were based on a sample of <30, which means the numbers are not reliable for interpretation or comparison. One main area of concern is the lower success rate in English 1A in summer of 2014. However, since so few students who tested were able to enroll, the numbers may not be reliable. We need a larger sample size in order to interpret data in a meaningful way.	J. Ocampo will report this information to SP&S. M. Tsai recommends we will continue using the new rubric for another year in order to collect more data. The committee unanimously voted in favor of continuing to use the new rubric. AWE facilitators will meet to discuss the findings from the study thus far.

		Barbara Mc Neice-Stallard is going to assign a new researcher to work on the Multiple Measures study.	The new researcher for this project anticipates completing the study by the end of the fall semester.
3.	Foreign Language Department	Members of the Foreign Language Department asked for support for use of a placement test. Lizbet Sánchez, Aaron Salinger, and Luisa Howell explained the department's hope to focus on heritage language, which takes into account students' knowledge and culture upon entering a course. UCLA has offered to collaborate with Mt. SAC on writing a grant to develop a heritage-based approach to teaching language. In order to place students appropriately into language classes, the department needs to offer placement testing. They will begin testing students for placement into Spanish classes and hope to then use testing for all languages taught here at Mt. SAC. Avant Assessment is the proposed assessment instrument. It is currently being used at Cal State San Bernardino. The test includes reading, writing, and speaking components. Evaluation of the tests is done by certified evaluators. Avant offers testing in all of the languages offered at Mt. SAC. Avant also appears to be reasonably priced.	The Committee recommends that the issue moves forward to SP&S.
4.	High School Counselors and Faculty Conference Tannia Robles	Tannia Robles attended to invite faculty to participate in this year's conference, which be on Dec. 5 from 7:30AM-1:30PM. High School Outreach would like department chairs to attend since high school department chairs will be invited. Math and English high school faculty are being asked to speak to Mt. SAC faculty about how their curriculum aligns with Mt. SAC courses. An e-mail invitation will follow. Committee members proposed that we exchange questions with high	Tannia will send an e-mail to department chairs.

	school faculty ahead of time so the discussion is more focused.	
5. SSSP Update	Academic Senate voted to change the name of our committee. Our committee will now be called the Student Success and Support Program (SSSP) Advisory Committee . J. Ocampo reported that 2.9 million was allotted to SSSP at Mt. SAC for 2014-2015.	J. Ocampo will report to the Board tonight on the SSSP Plan.
6. Committee Co- Chair	The committee voted on a new co-chair.	M. Dougherty will be the new committee co-chair.
7. Multiple Measures Update	The MM Survey is ready for the student portal, but the automation is not ready. The committee discussed at what point students should be required to take the survey.	J. Ocampo will recommend that students be instructed to complete the questionnaire immediately after applying to the college, possibly through an e-mail notification.
8. Department Updates	A. Thomas shared that counseling will offer a counseling liaison to interested departments.	

Next meeting: October 22, 2014

2:30 pm