Mt. San Antonio College Student Success and Support Program Advisory Committee Minutes

October 14, 2015 from 2:30–4:15 pm Location: 9B-First Floor Conference Room

Committee Members:

☑ Evelyn Hill-Enriquez	☑ Jim Ocampo, (co-chair)	☑ Mike Harper	✓ Lucy DeLeon
(co-chair)	☑ David Beydler	☑ Dianne Rowley (Minutes)	✓ Sun Ezzell
☑ Maria Tsai	☐ Tom Mauch	☑ Angel Lujan	☑ Masoud Roueintan
☑ Deejay Santiago	10m Mauen		

Guests:

☑ Michelle Dougherty, Basic Skills Faculty Coordinator

ITEM	DISCUSSION	OUTCOME
1. Minutes	1.1 The committee reviewed September 23, 2015 minutes	1.1 Minutes approved as submitted
2. Committee Purpose, Planning, and Membership	 2.1 Academic Senate has appointed Masoud Roueintan to serve from 2014-2017 as at-large faculty member on SSSPAC. Per Academic Senate president and vice president, changes from last year's Purpose, Planning, & Membership have been removed from current document. Additional changes include adding L. DeLeon as permanent SSSP Project Program Coordinator pending Academic Senate approval. J. Ocampo has also added justification for the permanent SSSP Project Program Coordinator and mentioned that this has already been approved by SP&S. 2.2 A spelling correction was noted for Sun Ezzell's name. 	
3. Basic Skills Project –	3.1 Guest M. Dougherty shared dates/times of three Basic Skills Proposal Information workshops on 11/6/15	
Michelle Dougherty	from 11-1:00pm, 11/13 from 1:30-3:30pm, and	

	 11/17 from 2:15-4:15pm. Workshops are for those interested in finding out about Basic Skills grants and how to apply. 3.2 Dr. Malmgren and Dr. Arballo are considering piloting three sections of accelerated ENGL 67/68 for students who place on the high end of ENGL 67 allowing them to register for ENGL 68 and a one unit support course concurrently (support course may be non-credit). SSSPAC members briefly discussed California Acceleration Project and Mt. SAC's former "English Enhancement" program that appended ENGL 67 and English 68 (at the time both 3 unit courses) with a one unit ENGL 10 course. This evolved into the current four unit ENGL 67 and 68 courses. Benefits of instructor consistency in corequisite models, and current successful compressed/accelerated courses/programs Mt. SAC were also discussed. A concern was raised about the substantial increased faculty time commitment when teaching non-credit courses as opposed to credit courses. 	3.2 M. Dougherty will notify J. Ocampo of the proposed acceleration ENGL 67/68 pilot progress so that students will not receive conflicting information from Student Services and English.
4. SSSP Plan Update	4.1 SP&S has reviewed the SSSP Plan in two separate revisions and approved it on 10/5/15. If Exec. Board approves, it will move on to Academic Senate as an information item. If the plan is not approved by the Academic Senate, it will be added as an information item at the November Board of Trustees meeting. The plan must be submitted to Chancellor's Office by 10/30/15. The 2014-15 plan is online under the SP&S website. Non-credit's plan has already been approved.	4.1 D. Beydler will update SSSPAC website based on new Purpose, Function, & Membership document
5. Test Approval Clarification	5.1 J. Ocampo shared a memorandum from the Chancellor's Office regarding the proposed Foreign Language placement test that states "all assessment tests must be approved by the college." This information has been forwarded to the test vendor and the Foreign Language Dept. Currently, the	

		proposed foreign language assessment test is on	
		hold.	
6.	Multiple	6.1 J. Ocampo thanked M. Tsai, Nico Martinez, and	6.1 J. Ocampo will invite Nico Martinez
	Measures	Chuong Tran (IT) for their work on the Student	to next SSSPAC meeting to discus
		Success Inventory Summary Report. Data is from	results from MM Question #5
		3/1/15-9/15/15 and includes 11,055 students,	(40.17 average college units) and the question about average GPA
		8,089 took the multiple measures. Assessment staff	range. J. Ocampo will send an
		members have been ensuring that students comple	electronic copy of the Student
		MMs before testing. Discussion followed on how	Success Inventory Summary
		best to use this data. Since every student answer is	Report to SSSPAC members.
		recorded, responses could be correlated to success	n Members will contact J. Ocampo
		future studies. A question was raised regarding	with further questions.
		MM#5: "How many college level units have you	
		completed?" The data showed 40.17 units, and this	
		number seemed too high. J. Ocampo will present M	M
		data to SP&S on Monday.	
		6.2 There was discussion on the purpose of the "Hope"	
		multiple measure questions. The questions	
		originated from Learning Assistance as a pilot with	
		the intention of determining affective factors that	
		may influence successful placement. SSSPAC	
		members discussed how this information could be	
		used to support at-risk students. Additional funding	
		would be needed for a researcher to explore	
		implications of "hope" questions. D. Beydler	
		reminded the group that Common Assessment will	
		have its own MM questions.	
7.	Common	7.1 D. Beydler attended the September 25th Common	
	Assessment	Assessment workgroup meeting. Link System	
	Update	International (LSI) will develop test items and	
		Unicon will develop the test platform. LSI has not ye	t
		signed a contract with the state, and both vendors	
		have not yet worked collaboratively to integrate	
		content and delivery. The Compass will no longer b	
		available for use after November 2016. Work group	os
		were given competency maps and asked to	
		"storyboard" a test item on one of the possible	

8. Department Updates	templates. LSI will scan workgroup templates to create test problems. It is anticipated that workgroup members will be paid for creating test items. "Test Fatigue" was a concern for students who choose the take both math and English tests on the same day. Common Assessment will provide some diagnostics, but the test is self-adjusting so it will not provide as much information as the MDTP. Students may have access to a dictionary during the test. 7.2 J. Ocampo reported that currently, the Chancellor's Office has not set a deadline for campuses to adopt Common Assessment. Colleges who choose not to implement Common Assessment will lose SSSP Funds (\$5 million for Mt. SAC). A brief discussion followed regarding the implications of local campuses collaboratively setting regional cut scores. 8.1 AWE: S. Ezzell reported that AWE new reader training was held last Friday. Facilitators anticipate increased volume in AWE essays starting in November	
	and lasting through August. 8.2 Learning Assistance: D. Rowley shared information	
	about the Developmental Education Study Team (DEST) Parachutes & Ladders Fall Follow-up on Friday,	
	October 16, 2015 from 11-2:00pm in Founders Hall. This interactive workshop will continue to examine	
	best teaching practices presented last spring at the Fourteenth Annual Parachutes & Ladders Conference.	
	8.3 Counseling: None 8.4. Continuing Ed./ESL: None	
	8.5 AmLa: E. Hill-Enriquez reported that AmLa would like to propose two alternate reading placement methods in the event that Common Assessment does not have a timely replacement for COMPASS in November 2016.	8.5 J. Ocampo will place AmLa's proposals for alternate placement tests on October, 28th agenda
	8.6 English: None 8.7 Math: None	

8.8 SSSP Project Program Coordinator: High School Educators Workshop is scheduled for Friday, December 11, 2015. SSSPAC members who are faculty expressed concern that this event has been scheduled during finals week.	
Meeting was adjourned at 4:20pm	

Next meeting: October 28, 2015 at 2:30 pm in 9B - First Floor Conference Room