

**Faculty Senate Student Equity Committee
Spring 2012**

Date: April 26, 2012
Time: 1:00-2:00pm
Location: 1415 Social Science Conference Room

Committee Members:

Chris Lamm, Faculty Senate Student Equity Committee Chair; Faculty/Social Science Division: Child Development & Educational Studies Dept.

_____, Faculty/Natural Sciences Division (**need replacement**)

Adela López, Faculty/Social Science Division: Ethnic Studies Department

Carolyn Facer, Faculty/Mathematics & Computer Sciences Division: Math Dept.

Jose Miranda, Faculty/Technology & Engineering Division: Automotive Dept.

Rosalinda Ruiz, Faculty/Humanities Division: English

Annie Liu will be on committee Spring Semester representing Humanities

_____, Counseling/Matriculation (**need replacement**)

Pilar Ellis, Manager of the International Student Center

Mark Greenhalgh, Dean of Mathematics & Computer Science Division

Chuck Helms, Classified Representative/Skills Center

Janine Cirrito, Career Center Coordinator, Career & Life Planning Center

Manuel Burciaga, Student Representative

Carolyn Flores, Student Representative Pre-Law Organization

Amber Nguyen, A.S. Representative

Resource People: Rajen Vurdien, Ken Meehan, Toni DuBois, Terry Giugni, Michael Perez, Maria Duque, Chris Sanchez, Paul McKinley

Present: Carolyn Facer, Adela López, Annie Liu, Pilar Ellis, Mark Greenhalgh, Amber Nguyen, Chris Lamm

Guest: Paul McKinley

Agenda

General Discussion:

- **Updates:** Student Success, Staff Development, Campus Diversity
- Announcements to our classes of the upcoming changes (Marcus Wilson sent out the information from Counseling). Important for all faculty to discuss with their students. (see attached).
- Meeting times with 16-Week Calendar
- Who will continue on Student Equity Committee?
- Report to the Faculty Senate in May (in person or written)
- End of the Year Report to the President of the College and the President of Faculty Senate

Discussion: Follow-up on how well we are supporting our Veterans on campus. Paul McKinley will be joining us.

Meeting Notes

Veterans Resource Center: (516-518)

- Number of Veterans being served: over 600 who have submitted DD214 of those 430 veterans are certified for VA benefits.
- Benefits & Services:
 - certification
 - Priority Reg
 - services:
 - Amvets - John (appts. Are full)
 - US Vets also comes.
 - Mobile Vets Center - supports spouses & children with counseling. Now every other month
 - vets tutoring vets
 - PT counselor
- Wall of Heroes project to acknowledge veterans who have had an affiliation with FC - to be displayed in 500 hallway permanently.
- Funding:
 - VTEA support for next year
 - Funding was \$7.00 per Vet; now it is \$13.00 per Vet per year from VA

NEED:

- **Campus needs to Fund the Veterans Resource Center**
 - **NO** staff currently funded except for PT Counselor. Other staffing supplied by DSS and Veteran Work Study.
 - Campus needs to adopt a policy for Vets who get called into service during the semester. Paul working on wording.
- **Biggest need: Full-time Dedicated Veterans Counselor**
 - Vets need to be certified every semester and must meet with counselor (who knows ins and outs of vets needs).
- **Campus wide: Veterans sensitivity and awareness training for faculty and staff**
 - Workshop next offering - Tuesday, May 1st- 2:30pm 808A.
 - Each Division needs to have faculty/staff presentation of the 30 min. training

Roadblocks for remodeling the facility

- Need to finish the remodeling ASAP.
- \$3,000 is earmarked for the remodel (CW Driver donated \$2,000 plus labor to complete the project over a weekend.). It was stopped by administration.
 - Campus facilities received estimates \$9,000 to complete the project
- If the campus is serious about building community, we need to understand that bringing in community to support various projects is critical. The offer from CW Driver does not take "work" away from an already overworked classified staff (many of whom are Veterans and/or have family who are Veterans).

Future:

- **Paul** is looking at writing a Manual for Faculty Regarding Veterans Awareness/Sensitivity
- Expected increase of Veterans to 1,000 next year
- CA one of the states that doesn't charge out of state tuition. We will see more Veterans coming to California
- **Annie:** adopt book for the One Book/One College project: compilation of writings by Veterans
- **Mark:** partner up with the Veteran's Resource Center at CSUF
- **Carolyn:** recommended book: Unbroken - WWII veteran.

- **Annie:** Centennial Project: possibly get some funds from the project to support the Veterans Resource Center.
- Veteran Student Representative on Student Equity Committee

The Student Equity Committee will write detailed recommendations to support the Veterans Resource Center

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 10, 2012- 1-2pm

Focus: Follow-up on how well we are supporting our GLBT students on campus.

Future Discussions: Invite André Strong to join us from EOPS.

Announcements:

- FC Food Bank Collaborative - Food Pantry Open: T/W: 12-2pm and 4-6pm in building 1955.
- Thursday, May 2nd: 6:30pm in Room 1440: Showing of *A Better Life* discussion following.
- Worldfest - Postponed to May 3 (10am-2pm) - Campus Quad
- Wednesday, May 9th from 12-1:30pm in the College Center (2nd floor conference rooms)
Asian/Pacific Islander Forum in honor of Asian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month.