

Equity Committee Meeting Notes

Thursday, April 12, 2018 1:00-2:30 p.m. / Room 229

Committee members present: **Faculty:** Kathy Standen, Mary Bogan, Carolyn Facer, Perry Webster, Wendy Perez, Cynthia Guardado, Sylvia Pimentel; **Managers:** Jennifer LaBounty, Mark Greenhalgh; **Students:** Michael Marnell

Resource members present: **DSS:** Ruth Sipple; **Equity:** Deb Perkins; **OIRP:** Megan Sirna Tagley; **Umoja:** Antonio Banks; **Veterans:** Scott Thompson

- I. 2017-2019 Proposal Recommendations and next steps
 - a. Mark provided an update on the one-time campus and district funds available to support programs that are no longer funded with student equity funding.
 - i. A request was shared and approved by PBSC as well as at PAC. The funds requested would allow programs that were previously funded to continue at their current level through spring 2019.
 - ii. These funds were only identified for programs that were previously receiving equity funds. Programs that requested more than what was allocated or were not recommended for funding were not considered for these funds.
 - b. There was a reminder that there are new populations to think about so as we think ahead to future funding, we will need to take those populations into consideration.
 - c. There was some discussion about the process that might occur during the next funding cycle. It may be that the committee identifies needs and makes requests for specific programs or activities.
- II. 2018-2019 Committee membership and faculty co-chair election
 - a. There was discussion about membership for next year. There was a reminder for faculty members whose term are up to let their Dean know and/or make sure their names are on the Faculty Senate ballot.
 - i. There was a concern about how to ensure interested committee members understood the purpose of the committee and would work to promote equity. There was a recommendation to create a statement that could be shared with interested members about the purpose of the committee.
 - ii. The attendance policy was discussed and ideas were shared about how to communicate the importance of regular meeting attendance.
 - iii. There are currently two at-large positions but the committee can decide how many there will be going forward. The two previous at-large

positions were created during the transition to having one faculty member per division.

- iv. There was a question about how to stagger the membership terms since almost all of the faculty members terms are up at the same time.
- b. The committee members discussed whether funding decisions will still be made in the committee. There were advantages and disadvantages to having this responsibility in the committee due to the amount of time spent on these decisions.
- c. At the next meeting, there will be a vote on the recommendations that will be shared with Faculty Senate about the committee's reporting structure and funding.
 - i. The committee members also need to decide the voting policy and whether individuals who did not attend a meeting can vote.
 - 1. There was a request for confidential voting.

III. Budget updates

- a. Deb provided a handout which showed the amount allocated and spent from the previous year's funds (which expire on June 30, 2018), the current year funds (which expire on June 30, 2019), and the anticipated amount for next year. With the state budget in transition, the next year funding amount is only an estimate based on our previous allocations.

IV. Student homelessness and Basic Needs Workgroup Update

- a. Deb provided a handout with information related to student homelessness. A OneDrive folder has been created with a variety of resources so Deb will share that so others can add information and resources.
 - i. There was a question about whether the locker rooms had built in soap dispensers which might make it easier to provide soap for homeless students.
 - ii. There was discussion about the impact of guided pathways, expectations for students to maintain 15 units/semester, and the implementation of AB 705 for students experiencing housing and basic needs insecurities.
- b. A financial aid counselor, Sabrina, will be attending the State Chancellor's Office Basic Needs Summit on April 26-27 and will bring back information for the committee.
- c. Scott shared information about a homelessness summit at CSU Fullerton. Deb will forward the information to the committee.