

San Diego Miramar College
Academic Standards Subcommittee
February 13, 2020
N-201 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

Members: Paulette Hopkins; Paul Chlapecka; Marc Hollman; Isabella Feldman; Laura Pecenco; Mara Sanft, Chris Silva; Ryan Zimmerman; Helen Houillion (guest); Jennifer Ock

Present: Paulette Hopkins, Marc Hollman, Isabella Feldman, Mara Sanft, Chris Silva, Jennifer Ock

Absent: Paul Chlapecka, Laura Pecenco, Ryan Zimmerman

1) Call to order – 9:36 A.M.

2) Approval of agenda

- a. M. Sanft stated the District evaluators are not able to attend until further notice. Furthermore, P. Chlapecka has a teaching assignment during the days and times the subcommittee meets. He is in the midst of searching for a proxy. If a proxy cannot be found, the subcommittee will reach out to Laura Murphy.
- b. Motion to approve by P. Hopkins; seconded by I. Feldman; motion carried.

3) Approval of meeting minutes (12/12/20) - Motion to approve by I. Feldman; seconded by P. Hopkins; motion carried.

4) Adjudication of student petitions

a. #5874 (substitution for district graduation requirement)

M. Sanft stated the petition had been held at the previous meeting due to the subcommittee's request to gather feedback from the Fire Protection Technology faculty. She reached out to Darren Hall whom was familiar with Fire Science 144 (Basic Wildland Fire Academy) from Southwestern College. He believes the course does clear the two Exercise Science/Physical Education Activity graduation requirement since the course has enough rigorous physical activity. Miramar College's FIPT 150A and B would be comparable to Southwestern College's Fire Science 144.

The subcommittee discussed the following points:

- Courses that clear the Exercise Science/Physical Education Activity

graduation requirement

- Receiving guidance from both the Exercise Science and Fire Protection Technology departments

Motion to approve by I. Feldman; seconded by M. Hollman with P. Hopkins abstaining; motion carried. Petition #5874 had been approved.

- b. **#3935** (2 petitions; substitutions for district graduation requirement of American Institutions)

M. Sanft stated the District evaluators provided the following feedback: The CSU Dominguez Hills' POLI 101 is equivalent to Miramar College's POLI 102. The CSU-DH's HIST 101 is approved for American Institutions U.S. I. The evaluation has been corrected, and District Evaluations has already begun adding these to the students' academic plans.

M. Sanft stated that these two matters have been resolved, and the petitions had been brought to the subcommittee for discussion. She will route the petitions to Miramar College's Evaluations for processing. I. Feldman and M. Hollman will have the Counseling department confirm with District Evaluations if the substitutions have been correctly added in the system.

- c. **#2212** (substitution for district general education requirement)

M. Sanft stated the student would like to substitute COMS 103 with an Instructor Development Course (IDC) from a Military Joint Services Transcript (JST). She stated for such substitutions, three components are looked at: requirements, course-to-course equivalencies, and unit requirements.

The District evaluators provided the following feedback: The Military JST's IDC should only be used to clear SDCCD A2 Communication and Analytical Thinking and not equivalency. They believe the course cannot be equivalent to COMS 103 since it cannot be used to clear transfer requirements.

- d. The subcommittee discussed the following points:

- Historically not having approved substitutions for a General Education requirement
- Credit for prior learning
- Whether or not the Military JST is an accredited institution

Motion to deny by I. Feldman; seconded by P. Hopkins; motion carried. Petition #2212 had been denied.

5) Old Business

- a. Proposed change regarding additional degrees (follow up)

M. Sanft stated at the previous meeting, the subcommittee requested clarification on the total number of units. The matter had been discussed at District Articulation Council and the members interpreted the policy to be six mutually exclusive units for a totality of 60 units. M. Sanft will provide an

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update if the matter is discussed further at Curriculum Instructional Council.

The subcommittee discussed the additional degree policy in relation to ADTs.

6) New Business

a. Information item – Credit for Prior Learning

M. Sanft stated that due to new Title V changes, there are new mandates in regards to credit for prior learning. The matter had been discussed at Curriculum Committee. Various community colleges have been holding workshops and reviewing their current policies in place. The District is creating a subcommittee to assess the various pieces involved (e.g., credit by exam) and what can be given for credit for prior learning. Furthermore, a notation on the transcript will need to be developed.

The subcommittee discussed the following points:

- what types of courses (e.g., major prep or General Education requirements) will count for credit for prior learning
- maximum amount/limit in receiving credit for prior learning

7) Standing Reports

a) Evaluator

b) Articulation Officer – None.

8) Roundtable – None.

9) Adjournment – Motion to adjourn the meeting by M. Hollman; seconded by P. Hopkins; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:19 A.M.