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San Diego Miramar College Academic Standards Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2013, 12:30 – 1:30
M-202

Present: Joyce Allen; George Beitey; Lisa Clarke; Patti Flower; Bob Fritsch; Duane Short

Guest: Carmen Jay

1) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 12:31pm.

2) Approval of agenda

The agenda was approved by consensus.

3) Approval of minutes

The minutes from the last meeting were approved by consensus.

4) Adjudication of student petitions

- a) Course substitution to meet Physical Education Activity requirement – one course (petition reference #488)

The committee reviewed the petition and the student's previous coursework. D. Short noted that the course in question currently does meet the Physical Fitness Activity requirement, but did not meet it at the time the student completed it. After discussion, the committee voted to approve the petition.

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- b) Course substitution to meet Physical Education Activity requirement – one course (petition reference #697)

The committee reviewed the petition and the student's previous coursework. D. Short noted that the course in question currently does meet the Physical Fitness Activity requirement, but did not meet it at the time the student completed it. After discussion, the committee voted to approve the petition.

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- c) Waiver of Health Education requirement (petition reference #745a)

The committee reviewed the petition and the documentation provided. D. Short read the minutes from a past meeting in which an Emergency Medical Technology faculty member addressed the committee about the coursework and

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training required as part of a Paramedic program. The committee also reviewed past decisions when students petitioned to waive this requirement on the basis of having completed an accredited Paramedic training program. After discussion, the committee voted to approve the petition.

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- d) Waiver of Physical Education Activity requirement – one course (petition reference #745b)

The committee reviewed the petition and the documentation provided. G. Beitey summarized the physical education activity required as part of an accredited Reserve Firefighter academy. After discussion, the committee voted to approve the petition.

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- e) Waiver of Physical Education Activity requirement – one course (petition reference #862)

The committee reviewed the petition and the documentation provided, including the student's previous coursework. G. Beitey summarized the physical education activity required as part of an accredited Firefighter academy. After discussion, the committee voted to approve the petition.

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5) New Business

- a) Proposed revision of Certificate of Performance in Honors Global Competencies

D. Short thanked C. Jay for attending the meeting and explained that the committee had discussed possibly revising the Certificate of Performance in Honors Global Competencies to allow a broader range of honors courses to meet the requirements but committee would not want to make any changes without consulting the Honors Program faculty. C. Jay summarized the history of the Certificate of Performance and explained that the certificate was intended to represent coursework with an emphasis on the interconnectivity among global cultures and societies. After discussion, the committee and C. Jay agreed to the following steps:

- Committee members will generate lists of potential courses to add to the restricted elective portions of the certificate
- Once agreed to by the committee, a consolidated list will be provided to the Honors Program faculty
- Once the Honors Program faculty and the committee reach agreement on the courses to add, D. Short will prepare and submit a curriculum revision proposal to make the revision.

- b) Response regarding petition for waiver of math competency requirement

D. Short reported on his follow-up conversation with the district evaluations office regarding the overturn of a committee decision on a student petition from last semester. He explained the district office determined that the petition could not

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be approved because it was in direct violation of a statewide interpretation of Title 5 regarding the change to the mathematics competency requirement. He also noted that this result had already been widely applied to students in similar situations.

6) Old Business

a) Proposal for broadening the Health Education requirement

L. Clarke listed and briefly described a set of talking points in support of the committee's proposal to broaden the Health Education requirement. She agreed to send them to D. Short electronically for use in developing a presentation in support of this proposal.

7) Standing Reports

- a) Evaluator – no report
- b) Articulation Officer – no report

8) Roundtable – no items

9) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 pm.