

Basic Skills Committee Minutes

Tuesday May 3, 2016 LC 114

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Type of Meeting: (Regular)

Note Taker: Karen Lubick and Mary Rose Toll

Committee Members Present:

Karen Lubick, AD Chair

Les Uhazy, Dean of Mathematics & Sciences

Wade Saari, Assessment Coordinator

Mary Rose Toll, Reading Faculty

Jane Bowers, Math Faculty

Rosa Onofre, Spanish Faculty

Ty Mettler, Aerospace Faculty

Diane Flores-Kagan, Learning Specialist

Jamie Jones, Research Technician

Audrey Moore, Counselor and PRIDE

Committee Members Not Present:

Scott Jenison, ESL Faculty

Vejea Jennings, English Faculty and Triumph Scholars Santi Tafarella, English Faculty, Former BSC Co-chair

Tamira Palmetto-Despain, Counselor, OSD

Approval of Previous Minutes of (4/19/2016). Welcome and announcements	All Karen	Action: Minutes approved with one abstention
Welcome and announcements	Karen	
		 The AD Chair has resigned the position, but will continue to provide support to the new AD Chair. The Basic Skills Annual Report and Action Plans are due. The outgoing chair will solicit information from committee members and turn this over to the new AD Chair. The budget will also be turned over to the new AD Chair.
Reviewing BSC funding proposals and data	Karen, Diane	Issues Discussed: The committee was presented with a spreadsheet of the Basic Skills proposals and the reduced funding recommendations that totaled \$203,500.00. The Vice President of Academic Affairs approved all sixteen proposals. A list of the Survey Monkey ratings for the proposals was also provided. There was some discussion about replacing Smarthinking with Net Tutor. Net Tutor is currently available for free until June of 2017. Few faculty members know this tool is available or how to access it. Diane Flores-Kagan attended a presentation on Net Tutor and asked many questions. She is providing information to faculty and especially students. Two of the three additional proposals are being considered by the Vice President of Academic Affairs. Action: No action taken.
Discussion of Common Assessment Initiative and Workshops and Planning	Karen. Les, Wade	Issues discussed: AVC will be represented at the next Common Assessment workshop next week. Questions will be asked regarding faculty content review of the new assessment. It is hoped that we will receive some answers on how to proceed with the process. All colleges must adopt the Common Assessment by 2018. AVC is set to go forward in 2017. Action: More information will be provided at the next meeting
Other/BS Symposium Update	Karen	The Basic Skills Symposium held on 4/29/2016 was a success: 30 plus attendees Vejea brought a panel of students and faculty who attended the A2MEND conference. Jane presented information she received from the NADE conference Karen presented on Habits of Mind Magdalena and Diane attended ACTLA conference and shared highlights. Diane attended a Net Tutor presentation and provided valuable information. Students as well as faculty and staff interacted in the conversation.
Meeting adjourned:		4:00PM
NEXT MEETING		May 17, 2016