



CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES

BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMS

Steering Committee Meeting Notes

May 19, 2021

10:00a.m.–11:00 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: ASCCC, CCCC, Antelope Valley, Bakersfield, Cypress, Feather River, Foothill, MiraCosta, Modesto, Rio Hondo, San Diego Mesa, Santa Ana, Santa Monica, Shasta, Skyline, West Los Angeles

Absent: CCCCIO, Solano

1. Review of minutes: April

Jeff Gordon, Santa Monica College, moved to approve the minutes

Anthony Cordova, Bakersfield College, seconded the motion.

The minutes were approved with minor corrections.

2. ASCCC Update (Cheryl Aschenbach)

Cheryl Aschenbach reported the ASCCC is continuing to support AB 927 and advocacy for the expansion of community college baccalaureate degrees statewide.

3. CCCCIO Update (Jennifer Zellet)

No report

4. CEO Update (Jim Limbaugh)

No report

5. CCCCIO Update (Njeri Griffin/Kevin Lovelace)

No report

6. CCCCIO Funds Update (Mike Slavich)

Mike Slavich reported they are working with the CCCCIO and finalizing the MOUs for the funds.

7. Honors Criteria for BDP (Shelly Hess for Dawn McKenna)

In an effort for the California community college baccalaureate degree students to receive the same distinction as their university counterparts, the California Community Colleges Baccalaureate Degree Program (BDP) Steering Committee is considering adopting this system. Dawn McKenna, Santa Ana College, is inquiring if any of the BDP Colleges have adopted the Latin Honors system. Santa Ana is interested in adopting Latin Honors. They feel community college baccalaureate degree students should receive the same distinction as their university counterparts.

Mike Slavich reported they looked into it at Rio Hondo College, but their evaluators could not figure out how to implement it.

Several BDP members expressed interest in adopting the Latin Honors system. Hai Hoang provided the following GPA criteria:

Summa Cum Laude – 4.0 (highest honors)

Magna Cum Laude – 3.75-3.99 (high honors)

Cum Laude – 3.50-3.74 (honors)

Additionally, the example from Washington State was shared : <http://www.clark.edu/campus-life/arts-events/commencement/honors.php>

There was a recommendation to bring it back to the next meeting for further discussion.

8. Building the Pipeline (Estella Narrie)

Elizabeth Ramirez, Rio Hondo College, reported they will convene the BDP AO group to talk about questions surrounding general education. A Zoom link will be sent out later today.

Additionally, it was announced the CCCCAOE will have an in-person conference in the fall: <https://cccae.org/professional-development/fall-2021-conferences/>

9. Legislative Update (Tina Recalde):

Tina Recalde shared AB 927 passed the higher education committee and has moved on to the appropriations committee. If it passes the appropriations committee, it will then move to the House and then the Senate. She also reminded everyone to send industry support letters to Chancellor Carroll.

10. BDP Research Update (Hai Hoang)

Hai Hoang inquired if the BDP should continue doing statewide evaluations or if each college should do their own. Mike Slavich reported Rio Hondo is in the process of hiring a research analyst, specifically to conduct BPD research. He is concerned with competing priorities, we will not get results if each college does their own research. Rio Hondo is willing to take on the statewide research. He elaborated and discussed the value of centralized research. If the bill doesn't pass we may need additional evidence. We need to continue to support these efforts and analysis.

Kevin Kawa suggested if there is a way to centralize, once the bill is passed, we can send out a message to each college to get additional help to send aggregated results. All of the burden for data should not be placed on Hai or one research office.

There was an agreement to continue collecting data. Hai will send out the list, he will need support from faculty for reminder of students.

11. BDP Steering Committee: Vice Chair and Secretary Election

Mike Slavich reported there were no nominees for the Vice Chair and Secretary positions. Tina Recalde and Shelly Hess both reported they are willing to continue on if no one else is interested in taking on the positions.

Jeff Gordon, Santa Monica College, moved to nominate Tina Recalde for Vice Chair and Shelly Hess for Secretary. Carmen Dones, West LA College, seconded the motion.

The motion passed. Tina Recalde and Shelly Hess will serve in their current positions for two more years.

12. Other

Estella Narrie, Santa Monica College, reported the Articulation Officers met to discuss upper division general education. They developed a grid of the courses submitted. She asked if there were any additional items that needed to be reviewed by the Articulation Officers.

Ray Hernandez, Skyline College, inquired about fulfilling lower division courses with upper division courses and what limitations may be used. Santa Monica reported they use upper division for lower division; i.e., critical thinking. They try to balance out for a well-rounded GE pattern, lower division major and upper division majors. Everyone agreed, it is a local decision and some leeway is necessary.

Bonnie Hunt, Modesto College, motioned to adjourn.

Future meetings: Third Wednesday at 10:00 am

July 21, 2021

August 18, 2021

September 15, 2021

October 20, 2021

November 17, 2021

December 15, 2021

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