

Merritt College Counseling Department

Counselor Meeting Minutes February 27, 2012

Meeting convened at 1:30 p.m. In attendance: Pantell, Khoo, McLean, Allen, Ilarde, Scurry, Zielke, Nelson.

- 1. <u>Online Probation Review</u> Continued preparation for floor operations once online process implemented. Agreed on the following steps:
 - . Student will be informed of hold on their Student Center (to be discussed w/ district) and either is directed to Merritt website to start process or comes into Counseling Center and receives 1 page info sheet + quiz and contract
 - . Front desk staff will try to determine what kind of hold & will direct student to Passport Student Center. If student unable to determine, front desk refers to A&R
 - . Student completes quiz + contract and drops off at front desk (drop box to be arranged). Student informed of two business day turnaround time to be informed of status.
 - . I counselor per day will be assigned a 4-hour shift to review dropped off documents. If no documents or if counselor finishes before 4 hours elapses, will jump in on drop-ins or appointments as needed.
 - . Front desk will only receive documents from those not in categorical programs—those in categorical programs will be referred to a counselor in that program. If student is in DSP and another categorical program, they will be referred to DSP first.
 - . Students advised that PCCD e-mail is the official communication channel.
 - . Pantell/Allen (chairs) will take to online task force issues such as 1) collapsing the probation contract and dismissal petition into one form; 2) broadcast message and proper signage prepared by district office; 3) placement on Student Center notification of hold and referrals to appropriate campus
 - . Scurry will prepare first draft of information handout to be given to student at front desk (w/ contract and quiz)
 - . Zielke will prepare drop box for front counter

2. <u>New Business</u>

- Pantell/Ilarde gave quick update on status of AA-T/AS-T degrees (copies in boxes of those not present). More to follow.
- Allen reported she won't run for department co-chair in 12-13. Need her replacement.
- Update on SLO survey: 48 completed. Need 100 by end of semester.
- Pantell reported request by LANHT Dept. for dedicated counselor. Insufficient staff to provide.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.