

Merritt College Counseling Department

Counselor Meeting Minutes March 4, 2013

Meeting convened at 1:30 p.m. In attendance: McLean, Allen, Scurry, Zielke, Khoo, Nelson, Ilarde, and Giang Icasiano (Intern).

- 1. <u>Transfer Program Update</u> Tanya will continue to send out updates weekly regarding transfer center activities. A transfer student advisory committee will be formed in the coming months.
- 2. <u>EOPS Update</u> Terry Day will be starting as a part time counselor soon.

3.<u>MAP Update</u> A mentoring program has begun in an elementary school. Three MAP students are mentors to elementary school students. This is a pilot program.

4.<u>DSPS Update</u> A peer counseling group of students who would work with other students in the program is being developed. Student training programs are being researched now.

A late start LRNRE 297A class will begin in April on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11-12:15. The class can accommodate 15 students.

Kurzweil software has been purchased. Ron has done classroom presentations about it and would be willing to do a presentation for all of the counselors. A smart classroom is needed however.

5.<u>Centro Latino Update</u> Marty is doing outreach at Life Academy and Fremont High among others. So far there hasn't been a response from Life Academy but she expects one prior to the end of the semester. Marty and Mario are working on a presentation for parents of students at Fremont HS. American Indian HS will come to Merritt in April to have orientation and assessment services.

On Tuesday afternoons, Marty is at the Fruitvale Center. One goal is to have a Chdev and CIS class taught there.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.