

Merritt College Counseling Department

Counselor Meeting Minutes March 27, 2006

Meeting convened at 1:30 p.m. In attendance: Wong, Allen, Blackwell, Taylor, Zielke, Scurry, Shriver, Pantell, MacEwan, Papini, DeCoursey, Alexander (intern). Guests: Kathy Bauer, ADN Program; Carmen Jordan-Cox, VPSS.

- 1. <u>LVN to ADN Articulation Program</u> Bauer handed out information sheet and discussed activation of program (has already been approved by CIC and is in catalog under NURS 15A-B). Combination of legislation and nursing shortage fueling program. Have had it in place but didn't have funds to equipment or faculty. Got large grant to make program work now. ADN has been admitting 50-60 students in recent past. Details of LVN to ADN program:
 - applicants must have current California LVN license (or be license eligible)
 - must have all Group A & recommend all Group B done to apply
 - re: CPR, need Basic Life Support for the Health Professional (Red Cross or Heart Assn.)
 - if admitted, will take NURS 15A-B for 5 weeks starting 5/23/06 for 80 hours (some online) Tues & Wed from 8 2:30 for lecture; the rest lab and online. 15A-B emphasizes IVs and drug dose calculations
 - After successful completion of 15A-B, will then join regular ADN program as 2nd semester student and expect to finish program in 3 semesters (either 3 regular semesters or 2 semesters and summer).
 - Program expecting to admit 20 for F06. If > 20 apply, will then use same selection criteria as for ADN program. If everyone has Group A & B done, will then use GPA for selection.
 - Bauer to revise information sheet to be used as handout for students.
- 2. <u>Building R Renovation Update</u> VP Jordan-Cox gave update on construction and progress. Expect building to be done 9/06 w/ move in date targeted for 12/06. Discussed issues such as assignment of offices, use of space, clustering of categorical programs, and flow of students for services.
- 3. <u>Senate Report</u> Blackwell reported on issues before Academic Senate. District wide meeting tonight to discuss sponsoring Compton College. Forum on 4/6/06 to discuss future of Merritt College High School. Need nominations and votes for new Senate terms.
- 4. New Business
 - Blackwell raised issue of process of selecting and training interns. Pantell mentioned template rec'd from Laney on this subject. Agreement to discuss at next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.