



MERRITT COLLEGE COUNSELING DEPARTMENT MEETING MINUTES

Date: 4/8/2019 Time: 1:30 pm Location: R 112A

Attendees: Ross, Ciddio, Allen, Zielke, Scurry, de Vito, Khoo, Moy, Perez

Allotted Time	Topic	Person(s) Responsible
	<p>Bridging the Gap/Math: approaches to counseling <i>Joint meeting with CSU/OUSD/PCCD.</i> <i>Messages given when speaking to students about Math were discussed such as not speaking in an apologetic tone about math and assuming the positive (i.e. "You can do it". Workshops and free tutoring are available).</i> <i>HS counselors will now recommend 4 years of math in hopes that students will be better prepared for college. Currently, students are only required to do 3 years of math. The high schools will also discuss STEM or Non-STEM paths with students.</i></p>	deVito
	<p>New Course Proposal Coun 21 <i>This is a transfer level course that mirrors Coun 221 which is being proposed by COA. Students seemed to like Coun 221 so having a transfer level course should be well received. Suggestions: make the course 3 units instead of 1. No textbook cost associated with the course. Include university visits, required meetings with transfer reps, and a trip to the computer lab to complete applications for UC, CSU and private schools.</i></p>	Scurry
	<p>New Math 13 milestone = Math R <i>For Fall 2019, please use the milestone Math R not Math J. Be sure and change the date to 8-1-19 when clearing the milestone.</i></p>	Scurry
	<p>Standing Items: 1. Reports from programs: Puente, Sankofa, FYE, Veterans, SAS, EOPS, Athletics, Transfer Center, Centro Latino, SEA, etc. <i>Transfer: ETS is May 10th. Transfer Day is October 10th. Encourage students to attend and bring your classes. All UC admissions decisions will be sent by the end of April. Some UC's have already sent out their decisions. Students will need to complete their SIR (statement of intent to register) plus secure a \$250 non refundable deposit and a statement of legal residence once accepted.</i> <i>FYE: The students will be going to SFSU on April 11th.</i> <i>SAS: Provided information on legal assistance for students who are at risk of losing their home. Visit achousingsecure.org for more information.</i></p>	All

	<p><i>SAS will be doing outreach this Wednesday to high school students. They will provide lunch, do ASEPS, and provide folders with useful information for students who have IEPs.</i></p> <p><i>VETS: Veterans program will be audited on Wednesday.</i></p>	
	<p>Standing Items:</p> <p>2. Committee reports</p> <p><i>CCC Mypath: Angela will work with Spencer to develop Mypath for Merritt. She has met with Jason already and Merritt's committee will meet tomorrow about getting started.</i></p> <p><i>Starfish: The Veterans program will be piloting Starfish connect. A problem that has already been encountered is that there is no alert when the student checks in.</i></p> <p><i>Program Review: The Student Services template was sent out.</i></p>	All
	<p>Standing Item:</p> <p>3. SLOAC report</p> <p><i>Reviewed Coun 30's three SLOs.</i></p> <p>4. Survey count = 71/100</p>	Zielke
	<p>Announcements</p> <p>-May 9th District Wide Counseling Meeting @ Laney</p> <p>-April 26th is MEDAS orientation</p>	All

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