

Merritt College Counseling Department

Counselor Meeting Minutes May 14, 2012

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

- 1. <u>11th Month Contract</u> Pantell relayed VP's authorization for 15 days in 12-13 followed by discussion of individual days.
- 2. <u>Year-End Meeting</u> Pantell relayed VP's notification of year-end meeting 5/17/12 in R-23 to discuss, among other things, the mandatory orientation program under development.
- 3. <u>Dismissal Petitions</u> Discussion of changes. Indications from VP are that he wants letter from student to accompan petition and also wants 2 separate petitions for Summer and Fall (even if planning for both are done in one counseling session). Agreement that counselors (and students and classified staff) could benefit from clear, well-communicated guidelines. Chairs will request from VP.
- 4. <u>Curriculum Updates</u> Pantell and Allen reported on significant curriculum updates from CIC, including revision to existing Social and Behavioral Science degree, that go into effect F12. Though approved by campus and district curriculum committees, must still be approved by PCCD Board and State to be valid. Can inform students as part of degree planning but should caution them not fully approved and may be subject to change.
- 5. <u>Other</u>
 - Zielke reported Adelante Program will be bringing to campus about 30 sutdents from Skyline H.S. for orientation on 5/32
 - Khoo reminded student awards ceremony tomorrow (5/15) from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in Student Lounge
 - McLean reported on recent discussion at Educational Planning committee, including review of current and past Student Equity reports.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.