

Merritt College Counseling Department

Counselor Meeting Minutes September 29, 2014

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

- 1. <u>Dan Blum, Ph.D., Mental Health Counselor:</u> Introductions and discussion about scope of services. Will be providing mental health services on Mondays (9:00 to 3:00) and Wednesdays (9:00 to 1:00), seeing students on both drop-ins and appointments. Hope to add additional hours soon. Will be in same office as predecessor (R-105 F). Students can schedule appointments with front desk staff or with Dr. Blum directly.
- 2. <u>3SP SEP Workshops</u>: Scurry led discussion leading to recommendations to VPSS about workshops in the future. Recommendation that at least two, and maybe more, part-time counselors be hired to run workshops (coordinated w/ assessment & orientation) as their primary assignment. Also recommended student ambassadors be assigned to help students navigate Passport and perhaps run critical errands for counselors leading the workshops. Some discussion of role online orientation will play in process as well as need to coordinate workshops with assessment & orientation. Scurry will compile recommendations and bring to VPSS and report back.

3. Other:

· Pantell gathered supply order for VPSS

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.