Merritt College Counseling Department

Counselor Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2003

Meeting convened at 10:00 a.m. In attendance: Blackwell, Zielke, McLean, Shriver, Pantell, Wong, Allen, DeCoursey, Scurry, Clark, Cannady. Guest: Sandie Takakura from Nursing Dept.

1. **Transfer Issues**  Presentation by Erica Quintor, regional outreach rep for UCSD (510) 667-9245 equintor@ucsd.edu UCSD has impacted majors (Computer Science and Computer Engineering plus adding 5 more) and several “pre-majors” (also close to impacted and screened more heavily). Don’t admit students by major (except for impacted and pre-majors) but by minimum UC eligibility criteria. All majors at each of the 6 Colleges. Common misconception that Roosevelt and Revelle don’t accept IGETC. In fact, they’ll accept IGETC but student will have add’l lower division GE requirements to complete (but will be admitted as a junior). Blackwell also reported on Havencourt Project College & Health Fair on April 26, co-sponsored by UC Berkeley and other local 4-year schools. Will take place at Havencourt Middle School from 10 to 1. Blackwell also reported on Spring Transfer Student Panel, May 6, from 12 to 1. Students from Mills, UC Berkeley, SFSU, and CSU Hayward will talk about their experiences.

2. **Front Desk Organization**  McLean did wonderful job of starting to organize front desk area. Please consider add’l ideas to make the workplace more effective and let Shriver know.

3. **Nursing Update**  Sandie Takakura reported on status of applicants for F03. Had 100 qualified applicants for 40 spots. Will take 1st 40 that have completed all Group A and at least 6 of 7 Group B. The rest will be on waiting list, prioritized by # and GPA of completed Group B courses (no priority given to specific Group B courses). Also reported on work-related issues: no difference between hiring requirements or salary between ADN and BSN. BSN (which usually includes 1 year Public Health coursework) prepares applicant for management positions such as Charge Nurse. Discussion about preparing students better for rigors of ADN program, including team teaching LRNRE 72, College Success to help retention.

4. **English Course Outlines**  Shriver reported he had rec’d course outlines for all English courses and will be reviewing shortly.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.