

Minutes of the Stockton Advising Council

March 2, 2012, 3:00 p.m.

Members present: Ashley Klug, Paula Dollarhide, Debbie Ballard, Carra Hood, Joyce Welliver, Amanda Farina, Peter Hagen, Tom Grites, Joan Perks, Jibey Asthappan, Joan Perks, Joe'l Ludovich, Neil Aaronson, Mary Beth Sherrier, Amy Ackerman

1. Fall Registration and Precepting Days: This is the semester that preceptors are evaluated. The list of advisees can be accessed to "record a meeting." That allows students to complete the preceptor evaluation and have an early registration time. Early registration times will begin at 7 a.m. this semester to help avoid the system crashing.
2. Withdraw policy: Beginning the fall of 2012, students may only withdraw from 25% of classes necessary for the degree. This does not include medical withdrawals. Beginning the fall of 2012, a student may only register for the same course three times. If it is necessary to register for it the fourth time, a Dean's signature will be needed.
3. Advising Brown Bags: Marc Lowenstein's presentation is uploaded to UTube and can be viewed at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=laQJkila6E&list=UUPTLkRvWqFDdt-lo4Fj6amw&index=1&feature=plpp_video. Plans are to link this to the website and continue doing this on a regular basis.
4. Summer Orientation: Dates have moved forward for both freshman students and transfer students by about 2 weeks. Freshmen: June 25-28 and July 2-3. Transfers will be July 9-12. There will special programming for veterans. A discussion ensued about the special needs of veterans, and the Council discussed the ramifications of "Vet Teach," an initiative for veterans to complete a Psychology degree and elementary school certification in four years. "Vet Teach" aims to prepare students for elementary education and middle school science.
5. Provost's Award: Peter updated the group on this year's winner, Donna Albano. She is going to do a project with advising and learning outcomes using a self-directed learning scale. The study sounds very timely considering the college's work with ELOs.
6. Thank you to those leaving the Council: A big thank-you goes out to those who have served on the Council for 2 years: Joe'l Ludovich, Aakash Taneja, Lois Spitzer, Joan Perks, Carra Hood, Mark Sullivan, Mark Berg, Tony Bethel, and Mary Beth Sherrier. We will miss you! Those who are in their first year will be contacted by Paula to recruit the next person from your school.
7. Presentation: Tom Grites presented "Opportunities and Obstacles for Transfer Students: A Broad Perspective." His talk centered on goals of the US government and the Lumina Foundation for more college graduates. He presented startling statistics on how fast enrollments will have to increase to meet the 2020 Obama goals: we will need to double our current US college enrollments to 40 million students by 2016. Needs of transfer students were discussed and what will need to happen on campuses to accommodate more students.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Dollarhide