

Minutes for Stockton Advising Council, September 27, 2019

2:45 p.m. in G 138

Members present: Richard Trama, Cindy McCloskey, Peter Hagen, Dayna DeFiore, Netesha Peterson, Bryce Muth, Kate Spalding, Thierry Santine, Lauren Balasco, Rachel Kirzner, Jeff Webber, Michelle Previti, Barry Pemberton, Jongbok Yi, Joe Lema, Ruibin Liu, Shelly Myers

1. **Introductions:** Members introduced themselves and shared something of interest about themselves.
2. **Purpose of the Council:** Paula shared the Stockton Advising Council website found at: <https://stockton.edu/academic-advising/stockton-advising-council.html> Current membership lists are there along with minutes of each meeting. The mission of the Council is to raise the level of discourse about advising with your colleagues and share the notion that advising is more than course registration. Your job as a Council member: promote the Council and its activities with colleagues. The best practices of advising relationships between faculty and students and the mission and vision of advising was created in 2014 by the Stockton Advising Council. We continued the discussion that advising is teaching: a phrase coined by Stockton's past vice-provost, Marc Lowenstein. We believe that advising is similar to teaching—that the excellent advisor helps the student understand that logic of the curriculum—and helps the student create his or her education.
3. **Preceptor Resources online:** Preceptor handbook, advising syllabi, tutorials on degree works, forms, etc. are located here: <https://stockton.edu/academic-advising/resources-for-preceptors.html>
4. **NACADA:** The National Academic Advising Association is our professional organization for both faculty and professional advisors.
 - a. National Conference in Louisville from October 20-23
 - b. You can become a member for \$75 yearly. Lots of resources available for faculty.
 - c. A journal that is peer-reviewed and publishes scholarly activity in advising- Our own **Joe Lema** an article published just this summer
 - d. Regional conferences – our region is Region 2, MD, PA, NJ, DE, District of Columbia, and Virginia.
 - e. Region 2 conference is April 20-22 in Virginia Beach! Call for proposals is out. December 1 the regular session proposals are due. We have had several faculty present from Stockton; consider making a proposal for the conference. Scholarships are available for graduate students to attend.

5. **Dayna DiFiore- Career Education and Development:** Dayna brought along her new colleague from Career Education and Development, Netesha Peterson. Netesha will be responsible for helping students with health careers. Dayna pointed out where to find events, and the next big event is the Career and Internship Fair on October 10. Note that Career Center does have the new name of Career Education and Development. Handshake is the new platform for uploading jobs, student resumés, making an appointment and joining career communities. She gave a demonstration of Handshake.

6. **Provost’s Professional Development Award in Faculty Precepting:** The Provost is offering \$4000 for this award. Details are on the advising website and the Research and Sponsored program’s website.
<http://intraweb.stockton.edu/eyos/page.cfm?siteID=92&pageID=48>
The call for proposals will be coming out soon with a January 15 deadline for submission. We would like to have a sub-committee review proposals from the advising council review the proposals. Past winners and award projects are listed on the website. Our guest speaker today is Kaite Yang and she won the award in 2019.
Examples of awards:
 - a. Present at a conference
 - b. Stipend to conduct research
 - c. Funds to conduct an advising conference at Stockton
 - d. Monies to purchase materials for a project such as software

7. **Advising in Atlantic City: update:** We are there Thursdays throughout the semester. Students can make appointments for an advisor through our website.

8. **Drop/Add:** Center for Academic Advising staff saw 815 students during drop-add. Whew!

9. **Accuplacer Testing Spring and Summer:** Academic Advising tested 1163 students for math and some for writing and reading before the fall term began. Academic Advising maintains an FYI website for students and faculty and a way to schedule testing online. and a way to schedule testing online. <https://stockton.edu/academic-advising/course-placement.html>

10. **“Getting Ready for Precepting” Brown Bags:** Paula Dollarhide, and Brittany Jenniss will share Degree Works tips and Tucker Rowlinson will help with calendly setup for preceptors. Dates: Tuesday, October 15, 12:30 p.m. in F210; Wednesday, October 16, 12:45 p.m. in F210.
We will also hold a Drop-in Advising Clinic: 2:30-4:30 on October 17 in the Center for Academic Advising conference room CC242.

11. **Fall Graduation:** Graduation deadline, October 1st- You can look online to see who has applied and perhaps be proactive with any Degree Works (DW) adjustments now. We will graduate students with DW for fall 2019. 98% means everything is fulfilled – will be 100% once the coursework is graded. This tends to be confusing to students and faculty. 98% is the desired result—everything will be checked off as complete or in-progress. 100% will be obtained ONLY after the current term grades are completed with the appropriate grades.
12. **Freshman seminars and transfer seminar visits:** The Center for Academic Advising makes visits to classes as we help students understand DW, their curriculum, importance of meeting with their preceptor, time management, and registration for spring. If you wish to schedule a visit from Academic Advising, please contact Richard Trama.
- 13: **Kaite Yang: How I learned to Love Precepting:** Assistant Professor of Psychology, Dr. Kaite Yang, delivered a presentation on her personal journey as a junior faculty who came to Stockton without advising experience. She chronicled learning about advising theory, articles about advising, and learning Stockton resources. She asked intriguing questions of the attendees and there was good discussion as to advising philosophies and tips for advising students. Her powerpoint is attached.
14. **Our next meeting: October 18 in G 138. Please think about your advising tips and philosophy and be ready to share as we get ready for precepting.**

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Dollarhide