



## Tutor Committee Minutes February 4, 2016

MEETING TYPE:

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Staff  
Product/Project  
Special

Date: February 4, 2016  
Start Time: 2:00 p.m.  
End Time: 3:00 p.m.  
Location: H-306

**Facilitator:** Erin Feld

**Time Keeper:** Erin Feld

**Note Taker:** Jessica Ambrocio

**Attendees:** Ambrocio, Jessica; Avila, Debra; Barnaba, Ruth; Chen, Lee; Feld, Erin C.; Glassman, Joel; Lee, Yuan-Lin; Lowther, Carol; Martinez, Mario; Sivert, Shayla; Thompson, Craig; Van Dyke, Leigh Ann

**Absent:** Chakkanakuzhi, Mathews; Pedroza, Carlos; Green, Rand; Towfiq, Fariheh;

### Agenda Item

1. On-line tutoring pilot update (including expansion)
  - a. Math Center is now offering online tutoring during all open hours. So far they have had 2 students access the online tutoring service.
  - b. English Writing Center is also continuing online tutoring services. 1 student has accessed the service this semester.

Dean Shayla Sivert provided a summary of this committee's activities around online tutoring services from last semester.

- 1) In response to accreditation team recommendation, Palomar College piloted an online tutoring program beginning Fall 2015.
- 2) Online tutoring was offered for Camp Pendleton classes, online Math classes, and online English classes.
- 3) Online tutoring was offered only during the hours that the centers were open.
- 4) At the end of the Fall semester, there was a survey emailed to all students in online courses at Camp Pendleton, online Math classes, and online English classes who could have accessed the online resources.
- 5) It was determined that there weren't enough students that accessed the online tutoring services to have sufficient data for the Accreditation report.
- 6) As of now, there have been 5 surveys returned from the Fall semester. Erin is waiting for the information from IRP.

Where we are now:

- Beginning February 16, Palomar College students will be able to access additional online tutoring support from NetTutor via their BlackBoard.
- There will be Math, Accounting, and Computer Science. English will continue to provide Online tutoring via the Writing Center.
- Net Tutor will provide online tutoring services during the times that the Math and STAR tutoring centers are closed.
- There have been 100 hours purchased for Palomar College students to use. Funding for this is coming from STEM and the Student Success Initiative.
- This could become an institutionalized service depending on the results of this expanded pilot.
- Students can access the NetTutor service when they enter their BlackBoard accounts.

## 2. Governance Structure

- a. Jessica Horn from Veterans' Services came to introduce herself and the tutoring services that are offered to students who are Veterans at Palomar College.
- b. Many Veteran students have been enrolling at Palomar College; however it was found that many of them were getting on academic probation.
- c. Some Veteran students who did access tutoring felt like there was no connection between the tutor and themselves.
- d. Due to this need the Veteran's Resource Center decided to fund tutoring for their Veteran students.
- e. Erin asked for a motion to have a representative from Veteran's Services be included into the committee's membership
  - i. Motion made by: Joel Glassman
  - ii. Second by: Lee Chen
  - iii. Motion passed by consensus

## 3. Shayla – Requesting Funding from BSI

- a. A request from has been developed and is available online:  
<http://www2.palomar.edu/pages/bsi-hsi/basic-skills-funding-request/>
- b. Basic Skills Requests will have funding guidelines. These guidelines are available along with the funding request.
- c. These funds can be used to provide program and support services that align with Basic Skills Action Plan.
- d. Please be specific in your requests and provide as many details as possible.
- e. Print your request before you submit it.

## 4. DRC training update, CRLA – DRC and Clery training

- a. Clery Training is mandatory for tutors.
- b. We need to inform tutors of this training and have them sign up for it.
- c. Talk to Fari about incorporating this training into future CRLA trainings.
- d. There will be a PD training coming up on February 19 that tutors can attend as well.

## 5. Tutoring Services web site: update

- a. Debra Avila informed that committee that there is a prototype that we can provide feedback on.
- b. Committee members are being asked to provide feedback on the
  - i. Layout
  - ii. Icons
  - iii. Menu bar on the side
- c. Debra will send us snapshots of what the website looks like and we can provide feedback.
- d. Please review the Menu Bar and suggest what should or should not be there.

## 6. Approve December minutes

- a. There was an error in December minutes under 5G. It should read that ESL Tutoring Center has submitted two proposals.
- b. Erin asked for a motion approve minutes with the correction
  - i. Motion made by: Joel Glassman
  - ii. Second by: Lee Chen
  - iii. Motion passed by consensus

**Tutor Training** class (# 33079) will be on Fridays, Feb. 19 and 26 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Math Center (MC-1).

**ACTLA conference:**

<https://www.eiseverywhere.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=143079&>

**Tutor Expo:** March 10-11: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tutor-expo-16-san-diego-tickets-18166771302>

**Next Meeting**  
**March 3, 2016**