Academic Integrity Taskforce Minutes

April 12, 2023

Next meeting: April 26, 2023

Date: April 12, 2023 Starting Time: 2 p.m. Ending Time: 3:30 p.m.	Zoom Meeting: https://palomar-edu.zoom.us/j/81848285799?pwd=a3FlNjBCSWNHbDhNYnFwRWVWVDNoQT09

Chair: Erin Hiro - Present
Members:
Dean, Instruction – Fari Towfiq - Present
Student Life and Leadership – Pippa Pierce - Absent
DE Committee representative - Open
ASG representative - Christopher Garcia Mendez - Absent
Classified - DRC/STAR Center – Cynthia Cordova - Absent
Faculty, AMBA - Erin Hiro
Faculty, CTE - Open
Faculty, L&L – Katy Farrell - Present
Faculty, MSE - Stephen Crook - Present
Faculty, SBS - Jeffrey Epstein - Present

1. Call to order
2. Introduction/Welcome new members
3. Public Comment: None
4. Announcements: None
5. Approve minutes. Epstein, Towfiq motioned. All approved.
6. Information
   6.1.   Present academic integrity policies from other colleges. Members presented academic integrity summaries from different colleges throughout the state. They reviewed colleges that had robust academic integrity resources and formatting that might work for Palomar. Fari Towfiq discussed CSUSM and its website. Jeffrey Epstein discussed the San Diego City College District and Grossmont College and schools that tracked academic integrity violations. He also showed the taskforce a graphic option. while Katy Farrell showed the website of Bakersfield

Community College. Stephen Crooke outlined both Southwestern and Cabrillo College's academic integrity processes and noted the focus on the positive – an Honor Code – instead of violations. He also showed a [flowchart](#) example that might help convey information

    6.2.   Draft a list of possible changes from to include in new policy.

          i.   The group broke into smaller groups to discuss Palomar's current policy, which also matched the Palomar Catalogue item below.

         ii.   The Palomar policies located and discussed where as follows:

       iii.   [Academic Honesty Webpage](#)

       iv.   [Academic Policies webpage](#)

        v.   The group noted that the catalogue statement is the same as the Academic honesty page.

    6.3.   Brainstorm changes that will need to be included in updated policy

          i.   Some initial brainstorming:

              1.   Palomar information has too much focus on APs

              2.   It is not student or faculty centered

              3.   Right now, it is just principles and not policies.

              4.   We need an active website with concise but helpful information for students and faculty.

              5.   We need clear definitions and descriptions

              6.   We want to focus on Honor and not discipline but be clear on both

              7.   We will discuss changes more at the next meeting.

7. Action

    7.1.   None

8. Adjournment: 3:43 p.m.