

Tutor Committee Minutes February 2, 2017

MEETING TYPE: X Staff Date: February 2, 2017

Product/Project Start Time: 2:30 p.m. **Special** End Time: 3:30 p.m. **Location:** H-306

Facilitator: Erin Feld
Note Taker: Mario Martinez

Members Present: Avila, Debra; Barnaba, Ruth; Chen, Lee; Feld, Erin C.; Horn, Jessica; Manneh, Beatrice; Martinez, Mario; Sivert, Shayla; Thompson, Craig; Van Dyke, Leigh Ann

Members Absent: Glassman, Joel; Green, Rand; Towfiq, Fariheh **Guests**: Anfinson, Cindy; Coulombe, Jacques; Lee, Yuan-Lin

Agenda Item

1. Find new note taker

Mario agreed to be new note taker

- 2. December notes help/request
 - Email Erin notes from December to approve and put on Comet Information Exchange
- 3. On-line tutoring update
 - auto fill enrollment not happening until we switch to Canvas in summer
 - Math starts next week
 - English is transitioning to just using Net Tutor for online tutoring
 - Title for online English tutoring through Net Tutor? Don't know at this point.
 - In summer the plan is to move all tutoring over to Canvas.
 - Making sure hours are updated with information from NetTutor.
- 4. New chair needed for fall
- Erin will be stepping down as chair at end of semester.
- We talked last time about staying under Senate, so chair needs to be a faculty member.
- Chair time commitment is about an hour and a half a month for meeting (one hour), emails, etc. Main responsibilities: read minutes, put approved minutes on Comet Information Exchange, send emails out about agenda items, send agendas and minutes, some online tutoring work possible, report to Senate as needed.
- Erin going to Senate on Monday to see what happens if no faculty member wants to chair committee.
- 5. Requests for funds (Shayla)
- Last 3 account strings for BSI:
 - + 1612301 ran out
 - + 1612302 June 30, 2017
 - + 1612303 Should have this on account string for English
- Anna Hilton and Christine Amely are working on these strings.

- Make sure to be aware of what strings to use.
- We are budgeted for -302 and -303 for budgeted for '17 '18 fiscal year.
- If we get another allocation, we will open up funding request process again.
- Everything's accounted for this year if you requested it last year.
- You can request money through AEBG (Adult Education Block Grant). Speak to Barb Blanchard (contact)
 - +Covers some things for non-credit and basic skills
- HSI through Kathy K. (STEM)
- Student Equity Funds (positively affecting disproportionately impacted students)
- SSSP (assessment, outreach, follow-up, advising)
- The people that want to go to a conference, etc. could all request the money through one of the above funding sources.
- Our committee is not one with a budget at this point.
- With embedded tutoring, set up a number of hours and see how it would affect certain students to request the funds from the areas previously mentioned.
- April/May opening up funding request for account string -303 if money is freed up.
- Basic Skills and/or non-credit for funding for conferences.
- 6. Disability Certification Form (Leigh Ann)
 - Big change observation
 - Short of a doctor sending in paperwork, DRC can fill out own forms to show proof of disability
 - DRC can take history of disability.
 - Record of getting social security income
 - IEP (anyone screened through K-12). They can be taken as a diagnosis for disability.
 - Observable disability
 - It's an interactive process
 - The diagnosis of autism: It's observable. High amounts of autistic cases being observed lately.
 - Possibly have tutors do brief training on how to deal with autistic students
 - Utilize short directives
 - Shayla mentioned book called NeuroTribes

 author Steve Silberman –
 Shayla says good book
 - For disruptive situations, it can be an issue, so get Sherri Titus involved if needed.
 - tutoring session with those with autism may need to last 20 minutes due to attention span
- 7. Term "tutor" (Craig)
 - They think there's a stigma to the word "tutor."
 - Everyone at the conference that Craig went to used a different term besides tutors: i.e, coaches, facilitators, consultants, etc.
 - Craig met with his writing tutors and some thought there was a stigma with that word.
 - Moving away from the idea that a tutor is going to just correct your work.
 - Back in the day, going to a tutor was a sign that you were deficient and in need of remediation.
 - Having tutors change the names it would have to be uniform so it's not confusing and fragmented for students.
 - The tutoring video can help re-brand the idea of tutoring = motivating.