

ADVISING LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING NOTES

Monday, June 21, 2021

Zoom Meeting 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Present: Luis Vega, Belen Mendiola, Seung Bach, Anayeli Gomez-Navarro, Karlo Lopez, Janine Cornelison, Liora Gubkin, Karen Ziegler-Lopez, Deisy Mascarinas (Admin support).

Absent: Lisa Zuzarte, Ilaria Pesco, Melisa Medina Cruz, James Rodriguez.

Meeting began at 2:00 p.m.

Advising – Update from Statewide Meeting

- L. Vega shared that the Chancellor's Office is now looking at how the tuition fees are being distributed for veterans, so that they know where that money is spent in terms of fees, because recently there has been some confusion regarding that. They are also looking into separating fees.
- Another issue that was discussed at the Statewide meeting dealt with how the Integrated Teacher Education program, which has benefited students by allowing them to finish their course requirements at a faster pace and thus helped them obtain their BA much faster, is causing them problems in the long run. This is because by allowing students to graduate earlier with, for example, 110 plus 10 units of credential credit-units results in students making less money because of the lower unit number as they complete the credential. Therefore, they are looking into finding a balance between changing the course requirements and unit count, so that students obtain more units and can continue to graduate early. Additionally, so that students do not have to pay more money for courses that have been changed from an undergraduate level to a graduate level, which has happened at several campuses.
- They also brought up the covid vaccine policy, and L. Vega stated that the CSU Presidents are all going to get together to discuss and align their decisions. He also mentioned that there is still no agreement on how they are going to bring us back.
- There will also be an implementation of more ethnic categories after west Africans and Southwest Asians raised concerns about only having the option of being classified as white in the CSU application.
- Legislation AB 1111 is requiring community colleges to have a common course number for general education; however, legislation that gets the CSU and UC systems to accept the course number may not work because of UC academic independence. The State Legislature sees great benefits if it was implemented, as it would be an easier process when students transfer from a community college.
- The state is proposing a common database (from "Cradle 2 Career" <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DFbHa6xk9VA>) from students. This would essentially allow us to help track students' needs and match with career planning, industry opportunities, and smart investment from the state to plan for the future—privacy issues remain unresolved, limiting what and how our system can contribute to that objective.
- There will be another assessment on advising and a planned visit by Duan Jackson, the CO advising liaison coordinator, more details to follow. The reasons for the assessment are because there are some standards for long distance that advisors need to know about and follow. There is also the case management approach in the works for which we will get more details soon.
- L. Vega asked the committee for their help in selecting someone from the committee to attend the statewide directors' meetings that are held once a month. He will be sending a form to the committee members so that they can voice their opinions on this matter and on who that individual should be.
- Another issue brought up in the statewide meeting was concerning catalog rights regarding the implementation of course F (ethnic studies) this coming fall. This is because, students can select a catalog based on the year they first came into the CSU, when they transferred, and the year in which they are set to graduate. The issue with this is what it will do to their graduation status.
- Although Dual enrollment was not brought up in the statewide meeting, L. Vega, brought it up because they are obligated to offer courses to high school students, since there is a legislator mandating that. He also mentioned that there has been some resistance from administration on that mandate because they want us to offer these courses; however, they are not giving us the money needed to fund this.
- L. Vega asked the committee that if they had enough students interested in taking courses in *CSU Full Online* (intrasystem concurrent enrollment)—note this is different from the *Cal State Online* (Self-supported degree

programs)--he could make arrangements to have a representative from CSU fully online to come inform students about the program.

Implications of the 2021-2022 catalog release date

L. Vega shared that Jennifer McCune stated that even if the catalog is not ready when students come in, they are still bound to that catalog. On the other hand, transfer students can go back to their earlier catalog so long as they had continuous enrollment. L. Vega also mentioned that the 2021-2022 catalog has yet to be released, but that they are working on getting it completed and out on time.

GE Area F in the Academic Requirements Page

J. Cornelison informed the committee that GE Area F is now in the Academic Requirements page.

Freshmen Housing Requirement for Fall 2021 update

L. Vega shared that the website has information on the freshman housing requirement as well as a place to ask questions if they have any. B. Mendiola suggested that there be an online form for freshman to fill out instead of having to log into their myCSUB account.

2nd Degree Students-Processes and Procedures

L. Vega stated that he did not end up sending the memo, because there were already clear and detailed steps provided. He also stated that admissions will continue to handle 2nd degree issues for another year and then the Chairs of the respective degree will have to approve the students request to add a 2nd degree. Additionally, they need to find a way to solve the issue with students not being advised when doing a 2nd degree.

Repopulation/Placement

- B. Mendiola brought up the issue on whether the vaccine will still be a requirement. She also noted that some students believe the vaccine will only be required during the fall semester, and that they believe they will be exempt from that requirement during the spring semester.
- L. Vega shared that whether the vaccine will be a requirement or not is still undecided. He mentioned that the Provost and the President have yet to decide on that; however, based on the President's previous walk and talk it appears it will be a requirement. He also stated that it also depends on how the pandemic goes from now on.
- B. Mendiola stated that the links for the English and Math course placements were broken and could not be accessed. However, the issue was solved by the end of the meeting and the links are up and running.

WSCUC Updates

L. Vega stated an organizational chart had been created for WSCUC. He also stated that more information will be forthcoming as our next institutional accreditation visitation nears (2022/23 AY).

Parking Lot

a. Meta Majors Discussion:

- The committee discussed how there is a big problem with students double majoring specifically when it comes to doing it in their senior year when they are close to graduating. They talked about possibly asking for there to be a policy in place, so that students do not delay their graduation. L. Vega suggested gathering data based on class level, major (subplan), athletes/nonathletes, units, and admission term to see whether this is a big issue or not, as well as whether the committee should create a proposal for there to be a policy in place.

Meeting ended at 3:30 p.m.