

Basic Skills Advisory Committee
Tuesday, March 18, 2014 – 10:00am to 3:00pm
Foundation Office, Student Union Building
LA City College



Agenda

Attendees: Kathy Molloy, Cynthia Rico, Sheila Wright, Madelyn Arballo, Alketa Wojcik, John Freitas (for John Stankas), Deborah Harrington, Debra Jones, Barbara Illowsky

Calling in: Debra Sheldon, Maria del Rosario Biddenback, Frank Gornick, Kelly Fowler, Robin Richards

Absent: Julie Adams, Daniel Gomez

Guest: Jeanne Costello

1. Welcome, introductions, housekeeping
Barbara started the meeting by welcoming the committee and thanking LACC for hosting.
- 1.a. Chancellor's Office update: Debra Jones
Debra gave an update of AB 86 and SB 1070 work she is involved in at the Chancellor's Office. Adult Ed will remain a dual system – both K12 and CCC systems. The real challenge is how funding will stream through in 2015-16. Debra's group is working with Dept of Finance and Legislature now on the funding unknowns.
2. Basic Skills Completion: The Key to Student Success in California Community Colleges
<http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/AcademicAffairs/BasicSkillsEnglishasaSecondLanguage.aspx>
The Chancellor's Office is currently producing a handout about the e-resource. Committee members gave input about the pamphlet. Thanks to LearningWorks funding, the e-resource will be highlighted and presented in sessions at several coming conferences. 3CSN has also included presentations of the e-resource at the upcoming BSI Coordinators meetings on May 2nd and 9th.
3. Professional development for noncredit practitioners: Madelyn
The noncredit task force committee developed noncredit progress indicators. MIS system does not currently automatically accept the noncredit progress indicators. We are working on trying to streamline the uploading of these items.

Noncredit professional development – it is very difficult to find the noncredit practitioners who can speak to other colleges. Part of the challenge is that such a large percent of noncredit faculty are adjunct. As a result, the noncredit faculty community is not building a community of faculty leaders to train other faculty and share knowledge. In general, most of the faculty don't even know what to ask for. There was discussion about whether or not 3CSN should focus on developing Communities of Practice for adjunct noncredit faculty. ACCE is composed mostly of administrators, not practitioners. We discussed how we can recognize professional development of noncredit faculty. Right now, there are not many opportunities and not much compensation.

4. RFA 13-052: ESL/Basic Skills Professional Development Grant: Deborah Jeanne and Deborah presented an update of the professional development activities. (See PPT.)
The BSILI summer training will take place June 1-6, 2014 at Lake Arrowhead
3CSN uses the philosophies of the following educators in the professional development activities:
Carol Dweck – Mindset <http://mindsetonline.com/whatisit/about/>
Angela Duckworth TED talk – gives an overview of
Grit http://www.ted.com/talks/angela_lee_duckworth_the_key_to_success_grit
David Yeager – UT Austin studies <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/centers/prc/directory/faculty/yeagerds>

6. Student Senate: Common Core to Basic Skills presentation: Daniel Postponed.

7. BSI 2014 report submissions: new narrative questions? Form changes?
Suggestions for narrative:
What traction is your college doing about institutionalizing your basic skills funded programs and projects?
What are the obstacles to doing so?
How are you scaling up successful projects and programs?
How does your basic skills fund support the goals of SSSP plans and Student Equity plans?

Suggestions for data question:
Was your college's basic skills program more successful in 2011-2013 than it was in 2009-2011? How did you determine the answer? How did you measure the success?

8. New Business
Barbara will be leaving the Chancellor's Office in June to return to Foothill-De Anza CCD. The permanent replacement position announcement will be advertised "soon." Hopefully, the new person will attend the BSILI conference in June. There were thanks all around.