

Chaffey ^ College  
**Student Learning Outcomes Committee Meeting**  
**October 29, 2008**  
**BEB-204**

**Present:** Jo Alvarez, Graciela C. Arriaga, Angela Bartlett, Marie Boyd, Sid Burks, Beth Child, Bev Cox, Vera Dunwoody, Joann Eisberg, Cynthia Parker, Laurie Pratt, Giovanni Sosa, Tom Vitzelio, Lori Waite

**Absent:** Jim Fillpot, Sherrie Guerrero, Linda Holdzkom, Laura Hope, Teresa Hull, Christine Lively, Julie Song, Teresa Williamson, Keith Wurtz

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Marie Boyd at 12:30p.m.

**New Business:**

**Core Competencies Approval**—Marie Boyd opened discussion on the Core Competencies Draft. After an in-depth evaluation of bullet points and input from all members, the following revisions were made:

- incorporating lifelong learning as a principle goal
- adding computation analyzation to *Critical Thinking and Information Competency*
- clarifying active citizenship under *Community/Global Awareness and Responsibility*
- rewording the second bullet point under *Personal, Academic, and Career Development*

The committee agreed to forward the draft to absent members. The final revision will then be submitted to Faculty Senate at the November 4 meeting.

**Committee Roles and Responsibilities**—Establishing consistency in output and a consistent message was of primary focus for the committee. Vera Dunwoody noted that it is important to train people who are consistent with training people who will then become the “go to” people for SLOs. She suggested using student workers to accomplish this and to have a liaison present at Dean’s Meeting. Marie answered that Laura Hope could be that liaison. Co-Chair Tom Vitzelio added that he will discuss having a training session during FLEX with Laura and Sherrie Guerrero and that the website will be updated to include a standard SLO format connected to Core Competencies. Marie followed that a template for information will be on the website, and, because SLOs will be going into PSRs, a tight set of guidelines for SLOs allowing constructive feedback should be adopted as it will be a step towards achieving consistency. Giovanni Sosa reminded the committee that quality control and a rubric across campus should be a main goal. Vera, Angela Bartlett, and Lori Waite then suggested moving away from using CurricUNET as the main receptacle for working documents and moving towards

Blackboard. Lori also added that notebooks containing resource materials could be a tool for consistency.

**SLO Workshop “Debunking the Myths of SLOs” Approval**—Tom distributed copies of PowerPoint slides to be used for future SLO workshops. Sid Burks noted that although he does not disagree with slide #12, Course Objectives have become so broad and overreaching that they could very well be Course Level SLOs and their definition has changed over the last twenty years. Marie replied that Faculty Senate will address this issue. Vera added that Academic Senate is in the process of renumbering course IDs and developing a statewide template system for transferable courses. Because of this proposed action, she advised Course Objectives remain fairly broad in order to transfer. Joann Eisberg added that freedom of pedagogy needs to be respected.

**Volunteers for SLO Down Newsletter**—Ideas regarding content were briefly addressed including articles focusing on success stories and inviting guest writers for each issue.

**Training Ideas**—Tom brought up the idea of inviting representatives from other colleges for training and cited Cabrillo College as a model. Sid cautioned the committee to be careful about bringing people from other colleges to Chaffey because they are working with different models, using different terms and approaches. Vera replied that successful models should be referenced and then adjusted to fit Chaffey’s mission.

**Mission Statement, Vision and Philosophy Statement Updates**—dialogue will open at the next meeting.

**Old Business:**

**Alternative Meeting Times and Dates**—Email was sent to members inquiring best availability for future November meeting. All members did not reply. A suggestion to include Mondays was taken and a revised email will be sent out to committee members.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:47p.m.