

Psychology Department Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2014

Stacy Bacigalupi (Co-Chair), Michael Dowdle (Co-Chair), Gene Ano (Scribe), Misty Kolchakian, Charis Louie, Chara Powell, Ed Berbiar

Meeting Commenced: 3:00pm (Minutes from the previous meeting were approved).

Year End Report:

- I. Gene conducted a peer review for an empirical journal article submitted to the *International Journal for the Psychology of Religion and Spirituality*.
- II. Chara was appointed to the IRB and her presentation for Flex Day was approved.
- III. Misty conducted two successful workshops on the Brain and Food Addiction and had a student present at SCCUR Undergraduate Research Conference.
- IV. Stacy attended a Mt. SAC football game.

Department Reports:

- I. Academic Senate: highlighted Chara is on IRB as alternate; Captioning software is available in 40-140; If committee openings are available, applicants will be asked "What is your unique contribution?"; Can get POD funding (up to \$1500 per year) but must submit at least 4 weeks in advance; Consider doing Faculty Inquiry Group (FIG) and applications are now being accepted; Many resolutions passed at Plenary meeting (see Charis for list); Results of SLOs should not be a factor in faculty evaluations; Passed resolution against student housing program (by acclamation); No Humanities/Soc rep for Senator at Large on Exec Board; May be a task force in Spring for "faculty ranking criteria".
- II. Faculty Association: highlighted Joan Sholars was elected as VP; Interest Based Bargaining; 2016-17 Calendar draft (Option A approved; Administration wants to change);
- III. Psychology Club: had a fairly successful semester. Will be looking for some new officers for Spring, 2015.
- IV. Mental Health Awareness Club: had a successful first semester; many plans on future collaborations.

Division Meeting Information:

- I. Retreat topics: will be at Kellog West.

Department Business:

- I. Scheduling: Some Spring and Fall 2015 classes need to be staffed.
- II. SLOs: Assess PSYC 17 and PSYC 19.
- III. Curriculum: Due by March 31. PSYC 10 (Mike); PSYC 15 (Stacy); PSYC 19 (Charis and Chara); PSYC 33 (Charis and Misty).
- IV. Remaining Department Meetings: Spring 2015 (2nd Thursday of each month from 3-5pm).
- V. Adjunct Teaching Workshops: scheduled for Monday, Jan. 12 and Monday, Jan. 26 during Winter intercession.
- VI. Psi Beta/Research Club: planning to start during Spring, 2015.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:00pm