

Dance Department Meeting Minutes

19 February 2016

2:30 pm

Present: Amy Nakamura, Karol Ritz

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Amy Nakamura at 2:32 p.m.

- **Meet and Greet:** Amy and Karol discussed a meet and greet for new and current students to orient them on the changes to repeatability, the new families (or courses related in content) and our certificate programs. We are also hoping to encourage students to audition for the Spring Dance Concert and form a Mt. SAC dance club.
- **Curriculum:** The Dance Teacher Certificate Advisory committee will be meeting in May. Amy is still working on the formation of the AA and met with Michelle Sampat over Winter on the procedure of imputing it into WebCMS. Amy has been working with Irene Inouye on the updates and revised courses related in content (families) to make sure these have been changed in banner. Karol brought up the possibility of changing Alignment and Correctives I to Pilates Fundamentals and Amy agreed that this would make our course titles more consistent. Karol will be looking at how this will affect our current certificates. Amy and Karol went over curriculum updates and changes to better prepare for the upcoming 4 year review due on May 31st. Karol noted the importance of integration of the lab outlines with the measurable objectives and the methods of evaluation (as well as sample assignments). They continued the ongoing discussion regarding repeatability and the impacts as well as scheduling ideas to help with student success in this area.
- **American College Dance Conference** Amy reminded the department that the title of AC DFA has changed to the above title. The Repertory dance company will be attending AC DFA this year at California State Los Angeles in mid-March. We will be taking the guest faculty piece by Marissa Osato and a student piece by co-choreographers Rachael Ward and Krystal Masteller. Both pieces will be adjudicated and students will take four days of classes.
- **Certificates:** Karol is turning her focus towards state approval for the local Pilates Teacher Training Certificate. Amy has been advertising and enlisting students into the Dance Teaching Methods course, offered this Spring, in hopes that students from the class decide to pursue the certificate.

- **SLO's** Amy is using the new curriculum and SLO rotation grid to stay on top of submitting SLO data from previous semesters and the use of results.
- **Budget:** Amy emailed the faculty asking for music purchases or video purchase requests by March 1st. She also noted that videos need to be close captioned unless you are only showing the dance segments.
- **High School Outreach:** High school dance day has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 9th. Instructor availability forms have been received and a schedule of the days event have been posted. This year we have an additional room again (the black box theatre) and will have 50-60 more students attending for a total of almost 300 students. We will have a bus taking the students to building 45 for Pilates again this year as well. Both the Rep company and the Dance Team will perform and Dean Jennum will address the high schoolers.
- **Scheduling:** The Fall schedules need to be submitted as soon as possible. Amy is assigning 15 LHE to "Staff" for the new full time hire. Because we have several faculty on overload this year due to Kari Jensen's departure, it should not affect part-timers schedules very much. We should plan on keeping the schedule as close to last Fall as possible.
- **Concert:** Amy announced and emailed the faculty that the Spring Concert will begin auditions on the first Tuesday of Spring semester, February 23rd. Again this year, we are asking the choreographers to meet and come up with a combined combination instead of individual combinations for a more streamlined audition process. The Faculty were encouraged to inform potential students that are interested in performing to enroll. Concert dates this year are May 20-22nd, 2016.
- **Announcements:** The next department meeting will be on March 11th at 1:30p.m.

Adjournment 3:31 p.m.