

## **Dance Department Meeting Minutes**

21 April 2016

10:00 a.m.

**Present:** Amy Nakamura, Karol Ritz

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Amy Nakamura at 10:02 a.m.

- **SLO's/PIE:** Amy reported that the dance department is focusing its energy on the EPIE report which is due at the end of June. Amy has been collecting faculty data and accomplishments for the department. Karol and Amy discussed goals for the department.
- **Budget:** Amy has been working with Suzy in the division on closing out the purchase orders and budgets. Videos and supplies have been arriving and Amy is logging them in the budget book. Costumes for the Spring concert have also been ordered and are beginning to arrive.
- **Curriculum:** Last month, the department discussed creating one or two new performance classes (to give our students more performing opportunities, to foster outreach and to help recruit for the dance program) and Michelle Shear volunteered to work on these courses, researching other programs that have a similar course(s) and company. She has submitted curriculum for the courses and Amy is in the process of reviewing them, sharing with faculty for input and then inputting them into WebCMS. Adjunct professor Monik Jones has also submitted curriculum for African Dance as well as suggestions for our Intro to Dance course which has not been offered at Mt. SAC recently due to the current format which the faculty agrees needs to be changed to part lecture, part lab. Amy will be reviewing the curriculum, sharing with faculty for input and then inputting it into WebCMS as well. DN-T 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and DNCE 3 are all in the final stages of approval for 4 year review. DN-T 38 will hopefully be approved in early May.
- **Academic Senate:** Amy reported news and updates from Academic Senate meetings.
- **Concert:** Spring Concert is nearing and there will be a variety of styles and genres in this year's concert. Dates for this year's concert are May 20, 21 at 8pm and May 22nd at 2pm.

- **Dance under the Stars Choreography Festival:** Amy reminded faculty that the submissions for this festival are due May 15th. Faculty were encouraged to submit their pieces. This is one of our efforts to offer more performing and competing opportunities for our students and to one day have a touring company.
- **Scheduling/Textbook orders:** Amy has been forwarding the downloads to faculty of the Fall 16' schedule. She appreciates everyone responding and catching mistakes. She also reminded faculty that textbook orders for Summer are due. Orders for Fall will be due at the end of May.
- **Announcements:** The next department meeting is TBA (waiting to hear on schedules.)

Adjournment 10:49 a.m.