SLOAC Minutes of December 14th, 2018

Present (in alphabetical order by last name): Vicki Brewster, Bob Brown, Brad Carothers, Yazmin Duarte, Frank Espinoza, Elaine Kafle, Abdie Tabrizi, Jovita Valdez, Sithparran Vanniasegaram (Recorder)

The meeting was held in the Mishra Room and was called to order by Brad at 10:09 am.

1) Public Comment
Earlier that month, Brad and Parran attended a play in which Bob participated. The play was *It’s a Wonderful Life* and Brad and Parran were impressed with Bob’s performance. Parran announced that pizza (from the Adobe Acrobat Pro workshop) will be available in room LE-228 at 12:00 pm.

2) Approval of Minutes
Elaine made a small grammatical correction to the minutes. Bob moved to approve the minutes as amended, Elaine seconded, and the minutes were unanimously approved by the committee.

3) Update of 100% compliance of SLO assessment
Brad created a handout which summarized the SLO and PLO compliance of each Division. This handout was discussed by committee members. The college has made considerable progress for SLO assessment in the last three months. Before the Compliant project, only 61% of the courses were compliant. After the Compliant project, 89% of the courses were compliant. This dramatic progress has come at a low cost to the college: the change has occurred with only a cost of 23 adjunct non-instructional hours used. Frank gave credit to the adjunct faculty for the work that they did this semester. Recently, the MSE Division was at 100% compliance. That changed to 94% because a few courses shifted from another division to the MSE Division.

While the college is close to 100% for SLO assessment, the college is nowhere near 100% for PLO assessment. Fourteen PLO matrices still need to be filled out. Brad suggested that during PDD, we allow the full-timers and adjuncts responsible for the fourteen PLOs to work on PLO assessment. (He still needs to get approval for this from the President.) He also suggested that we use some of the remaining funds to pay faculty members for their PLO work. Bob added that one issue with PLO assessment is that some PLOs in his Division cross over many departments.
Frank suggested that we showcase our accomplishments during PDD. Abdie, a member of the Staff Development Committee, responded that the PDD plan is already close to finalized. Our accomplishments could be mentioned during the report from the Vice President of Academic Affairs.

4) Potential New Dean of Research, Planning, and Institutional Effectiveness
Brad, who served on the screening committee for the Dean of Research, Planning, and Institutional Effectiveness, reported that there are two finalists for the position and they will be interviewed by the President next week. The new Dean will be a member of SLOAC starting in the Spring. Lynette Apen was the previous Dean and Brad gave appreciation to her for mentoring him. (She was also the previous SLOAC Chair.) After this semester, Lynette (who is now the Dean of Nursing) will no longer be serving on SLOAC. Everyone gave a huge round of applause to Lynette for all of her contributions to SLOAC over the past few years.

5) CurriQunet
The current plan is for entire college to do PLO and SLO assessment on CurriQunet starting Fall 2019. (Some faculty members will start sooner than that.) It still hasn’t been decided who will make that announcement to the college.

6) Next Meeting
The next meeting will be held on February 8 in a new place: the Gullo I conference room.

7) Meeting Adjournment
The group applauded Brad Carothers for his great leadership during the Fall 2018 semester. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am.