SLOAC Minutes of May 11th, 2018

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

The meeting was held in the Mishra Room and was called to order by Brad at 10:35 am.

1. Approval of Minutes

Bob voted to approve the minutes, Vicki seconded, and the minutes were unanimously approved by everyone at the meeting.

2. May 17th reminder

There will be a surprise party held for Janice Toyoshima, who has served on SLOAC for a few years because of her role as Curriculum Chair, on May 17th. The location of the party is Gullo II and the time is 1:00 - 3:00 pm.

3. Contest Announcement

After a dispute at the last SSHAPE meeting regarding SLO assessment, Brad mentioned at the last SLOAC meeting that he would send an email to the entire EVC faculty about their SLO assessment responsibilities. Brad then thought better of that idea and decided to promote a friendly contest between the Divisions instead. The prize will be lunch with President Aytch. The Nursing Division expressed disappointment that they are not eligible to win the contest. Parran reported that he informed the MSE Division about the contest. Frank remarked that the SSHAPE dean’s intentions were good in in terms of SLO assessment.

4. ILO Assessment

Brad reminded the group that we need more people to be involved with ILO assessment. ILO assessment is for activities that are happening outside of the classroom.

5) CurriCUNET
CurriCUNET was recently not responsive after we put in a request for Student Services. They were more responsive after Dean Abel contacted them. SJCC will be using eLumen for SLO assessment in the future and EVC may also switch over to eLumen at some point.

6) Goals

SLOAC has made significant progress on many of its goals for the 2017-2018 academic school year. One reason SLO assessment has improved is that program reviews now won’t be approved until all SLOs are assessed. For example, there were Biology and History program reviews due during the Fall 2017 semester. A Biology instructor who had not lead SLO assessment assessed several SLOs because of the program review. A history instructor also spent many hours assessing SLOs.

Abdie suggested that for the different Divisions on campus, a faculty member outside the Division should make a presentation about SLO assessment to them. Frank said that the AFT will remind faculty members that SLO assessment is part of their professional obligation. Bob suggested that Human Resources give a 5-minute presentation about SLO assessment during orientation. Brad again emphasized to the group that the goal is for 100% of all SLOs to be assessed.

7) SLOAC Excellence Award

David Hendricks was nominated by Brad for the SLOAC Excellence Award. (David assessed the SLOS in several history courses this year.) David was unanimously selected by the members of SLOAC as the recipient of the award.

8) Adjournment

Brad ended the meeting by expressing his appreciation to the entire group. The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 am.