SLOAC Minutes of February 22nd, 2019

Present (in alphabetical order by last name): Vickie Brewster, Bob Brown, Brad Carothers, Frank Espinoza, Fahmida Fakhruddin, Jacqueline Honda, Sithparran Vanniasegaram (Recorder)

Guest: Joanna Arroya

The meeting was held in the Gullo II conference room and was called to order by Parran at 10:05 am.

1) Approval of Agenda
Frank motioned to approve the agenda, Brad seconded, and everyone unanimously approved the agenda.

2) Approval of Minutes
Frank motioned to approve the minutes, Brad, and everyone unanimously approved the minutes.

3) Introduction of New Administrators on SLOAC
There are two new administrators on SLOAC: SSHAPE Dean Brad Carothers and Dean of Institutional Effectiveness Jacqueline Honda. Brad has served on SLOAC for a few years as a faculty member including two years as the Chair. Jacqueline started at EVC less than one month ago.

4) PLO Compliance
Brad provided the group with a handout of the list of PLOs that were not in compliance and we went through each PLO one by one. Two problematic PLOs were the ones for the GE CSU breadth certificate and the IGETC certificate. These PLOs don’t currently belong to any Division. There was some discussion about assigning them to the Counseling Division. Frank asked whether our students really benefited from having these certificates. There will be a lot of work involved to assess the PLOs so it important that it is beneficial to the students. Fahmida mentioned that she has already addressed two of the PLOs: Economics and Entrepreneurship. Brad mentioned that one of the Art PLOs on the list will be soon be deactivated. The Kinesiology PLO has not been assessed because it is relatively new.
5) SLO Compliance
We have made a lot of progress as a college in the last few months when it comes to SLO assessment, but there is still much work to be done. Over 50 courses are still not compliant. Some of these courses have not been offered in several years. Vicki proposed that the SLO Chair, Curriculum Chair, and Academic Senate meet and form a list of courses that haven’t been offered in awhile and haven’t had their SLOs assessed. Then, the list will be sent to all the faculty members. Courses that are not addressed would then be deactivated (possibly by the Curriculum or the SLOAC Chair). Frank expressed support for this idea.

6) CurriQunet Update
Brad stated that there hasn’t been much movement from CurriQunet. We are still unable to connect the PLOs to the courses for which the SLOs were assessed. The plan is to still assess SLOs and PLOs on CurriQunet starting Fall 2019.

7) Disaggregation
Disaggregation was then discussed. A few instructors recently disaggregated their data. For example, Bob disaggregated his SLO data by comparing late-start classes and regular classes. He found that the students in the regular classes did slightly better. Another approach to disaggregation is compare online courses and face-to-face courses. Jacqueline stated that while the accreditation commission expects colleges to continue SLO assessment, there has been less emphasis on disaggregation.

8) New SLOAC Chair
Elaine Kafle will one of the two SLOAC Co-Chairs starting in March. Who will be other Co-Chair? There are four applicants for the position. Joanna Arroya, one of the applicants, introduced herself to the group.

9) Next SLOAC Meeting
The next SLOAC meeting will return to its usual place: the Gullo I conference room.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.