

IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE **Science Department** Tuesday, May 19, 2015 11:50 a.m. Room #2727

Mission: The mission of Imperial Valley College is to foster excellence in education that challenges students of every background to develop their intellect, character, and abilities; to assist students in achieving their educational and career goals; and to be responsive to the greater community

Minutes

Members in attendance:

⊠Alto Benedicto	⊠Thomas Morrell
⊠Eddie Chang	⊠Susan Moss
⊠Andrew Chien	⊠Patrick Pauley
□ Alex Cozzani – <u>Excused Absence</u>	☐Jim Castle
☐Samuel David – Excused Absence	□Jim Pendley
⊠Jim Fisher	\square Nan Everly
⊠Daniel Gilison	⊠Grace Espinoza
⊠Russell Lavery	⊠Said Cañez, Counseling Liaison
⊠Kevin Marty	

Guests:

Recorder: Ofelia Duarte

⊠Tina Aguirre, Dean

- **A.** Call to Order by Daniel Gilison, SME Department Chair @ 11:57 a.m.
- **B.** Review and Approval of Minutes of April 21, 2015 were approved unanimously. M/S/C J. Fisher/J. Pendley

C. New Discussion

a. SLOs- D. Gilison

- ✓ D. Gilison reminded faculty to do their SLOs.
- ✓ Beginning of the semester he sent out checklist of which SLOs needed to be done. He will send out checklist again if needed.
- ✓ Also reminded everyone to enter SLOs into SPOL.
- ✓ T. Morrell asked if there was going to be a refresher workshop on how to enter data into SPOL for those that forgot. D. Gilison will email J. Nelipovich and ask.

b. Student Petitions for AG 245 - D. Gilison

- D. Gilison stated that for AG degrees they're using Ag 240 and AG 250 to satisfy those degrees. These classes are being deleted and replaced with AG 245. AG 245 satisfies the Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC) requirement.
- ✓ P. Pauley wanted to know if a student takes Ag 240 does he/she still have to take Ag 245 to meet the requirements of the new degrees that we've been approving this semester.
- ✓ Asked for feedback from staff. Can a student petition out of AG 245 if they've taken AG 240 and AG 250?
- ✓ P. Pauley explained that if you have not taken AG 240 and AG 250 you take the AG 245 and one other additional elective class to be determined to get 3 credits.

c. Prerequisites to A&P and Micro - D. Gilison

- ✓ D. Gilison reported that this is discussion only topic.
- ✓ Approximately a year ago Susan Carreon, Nursing Dean, came to our department meeting and asked if we could remove Bio 100 as a pre-reg's. for Anatomy/Physiology and Micro classes because students in the nursing program need to get through the pre-reg's in a certain period of time and get those classes out of the way so they can get into the nursing program in a certain period of time with a certain number of units.
- ✓ D. Gilison has always been opposed to this. If you get rid of Bio 100 pre-reg's for those courses then student success will most likely go down.
- ✓ He also stated that if we're forced to do this due to law or changes in curriculum then we will have to accept it.
- ✓ D. Gilison passed out the Nursing Model Curriculum. Take Microbiology from 5 units to 4. Remove Bio 100 class and remove that as a pre-requisite to Anatomy/Physiology and Microbiology. They want to keep the CHEM 100 class in the program because that's the only exposure to Chemistry that they will have.
- These changes raise a lot of issues. How do you reduce the Micro from 5 units to 4 units? There's a lot of content in that class already. As it is students come back outside of class to finish experiments because they don't have enough time within the class to complete all experiments.

D. Action Items

a. Deletion of AG 080 (Pesticide Safety) - P. Pauley

Motion was made to approve deletion of AG 080. Class is non-transferable. Not a class that is required for any of the new Agriculture ADT and the content is covered in some of the other classes on the schedule. Class is irrelevant. Motion was approved unanimously. M/S/C P. Pauley/J. Fisher

b. Deletion of AG 240 (Field and Cereal Crops) and AG 250 (Vegetable Crop **Production - P. Pauley**

Motion was made to approve deletion of AG 240 and AG 250. Class does not satisfy the chancellor's requirements for transfer model curriculum. Deemed unnecessary. AG 240 and AG 250 content have been merged together to new AG 245 course. Motion was altered to include both AG 240 and AG 250 for deletion. Motion was approved unanimously. M/S/C P. Pauley/J. Pendley

E. Other

- ✓ **B. Riehle's Retirement -** D. Gilison announced B. Riehle's retirement. Lunch celebration after graduation at Maranatha's Restaurant. Please RSVP by June 5th if planning on attending.
- **Update on Biol & Chem Hiring Committees -** D. Gilison reported that committee is preparing to do interviews. Hoping to have them done by end of semester. Schedule 2nd round interviews soon after and hope to have someone by end of June.

F. Next Meeting

✓ September 21, 2015

G. Adjournment

✓ Chair Gilison adjourned the meeting at 12:50 pm.