Degrees and Certificates Committee Minutes

Date: Jan 13, 2016
Sylvania, CC Conf. Room B, 2pm to 4pm

In Attendance					
	Phil Christain	✓	Janeen Hull (Chair)	✓	Cheryl Scott
✓	Dorina Cornea-Hasegan	✓	Arlene McCashew	✓	Dave Stout
✓	Beth Fitzgerald	✓	Eriks Puris	✓	Emiliano Vega
✓	Amanda Gallo				
Committee Support					
	Kristin Benson	✓	Sally Earll	✓	Jessica Morfin
	Emily Biskey		Anne Haberkern	✓	Susan Wilson
✓	Kendra Cawley	✓	Joy Killgore		
Guests					
Mark Goodman		Greg Rapp		Tyler Phillis	
Alex Vins		Tanya Mead		Gregg Meyer	

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- DOI Report: Cheryl Scott
  - Math 58/98: The deans have discussed their support of allowing MTH 98 to be used as another prerequisite for MTH 243. However, this could create a transcript problem If other schools across the state do not follow allow MTH 98 to be used for those purposes.
- DAC Chair Report: Janeen Hull
  - The first Major Work Group meeting of 2016 will be held on Jan. 20th. The group will be working with information from the Curriculum office (top ten majors that PCC students transfer in upon enrollment at a 4 year university) to begin looking for commonalities of courses that Majors share. These common courses may evolve into the groundwork for a major or something similar, e.g. guided pathways. The group is using both the AS & the AAOT for base transfer degrees. The group is looking at the feasibility for both STEM & Humanities/Social Science Majors with both transfer degree bases.
    - The state has decided that majors will not need to follow the approval process that a CTE program completes, but there may be an accommodation in the accreditation process.
    - Compass testing: Compass testing will no longer be available and the school will need to replace it with one that can test students in multiple ways while taking into consideration other factors, e.g., high school GPA, IB scores, high school

graduation dates, etc. This will allow for more appropriate testing and inequity issues. The implementation of a new system may have an effect on Majors.

- Overall, the process is taking longer than expected, but the Work Group will develop a timeline implementation as they come to a consensus of how Majors might work and be of benefit for PCC students.

o Majors vs. Guided Pathways:

- Majors and guided pathways are not the same nor are they mutually exclusive. They could work in conjunction. A pathway may be an entry point for a student whereas a major could be an exit point.
- The group also discussed what they envisioned a guided pathway could be: a way to engage students with faculty within a particular discipline and a way to guide them academically.
- Concerns: If students must choose a major upon enrollment, students who may not be prepared for college, may be forced to choose a subject that they may not be prepared for, decreasing their chances of successful completion.

o ASOT-Biology: The public four-year universities are in the preliminary planning stages of creating a transfer degree specifically for biology majors. Concerns were raised that the degree would limit the option of courses for students, restrictions that they may not face if they transfer in for the same program but under a different transfer degree. More information as it becomes available.

OLD BUSINESS:

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Degree/Certificate Title	Recommended for approval:	Recommended w/amendments:	Postponed

NEW BUSINESS:

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Degree/Certificate Title	Recommended for approval:	Recommended w/amendments:	Postponed
1. Building Construction Technology AAS **Postponed at the SAC's request.**			✔
2. Design/Build Remodeling AAS **Postponed at the SAC's request.**			✔
3. Diesel Service Technology AAS	✔		
4. Manufacturing Technician Certificate	✔		
5. Ophthalmic Medical Technology AAS	✔		
6. Java Application Programming Certificate	✔		
7. Library Assistant Certificate **Discussion:** This item was postponed at the request of the committee. The committee would like the SAC to revise the outcomes to reflect the revisions to the certificate.			✔
8. Library Assistant Electives **Discussion:** Please see above			✔
9. Inactivate- Emergency Telecommunicator/911 Dispatcher Certificate	✔		
10. Inactivate-Emergency Telecommunicator/Service Dispatcher	✔		
11. Inactivate-Retail Management AAS Discussion: This certificate was inactivated due to low enrollment and lack of student interest.	✔		
12. Inactivate-Retail Management Certificate Discussion: This certificate was inactivated due to low enrollment and lack of student interest.	✔		
13. Inactivate-Nonprofit Community Development Certificate Discussion: This certificate was inactivated due to low enrollment and lack of student interest.	✔		

14. Inactivate-Nonprofit Community Development Electives See above	✓		
15. Inactivate-Nonprofit Community Development Cooperative Ed Electives See above	✓		
16. Fitness Technology AAS	✓		
17. Fitness Technology Prerequisites	✓		

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

These items do not require committee recommendation.
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- Automated Manufacturing Technology AAS
- **Fire Protection Degree Electives**
    - o **Please note: This item was postponed at the committee's request. It will not be moved through the workflow for the month.**
- Graphic Design Degree Art Electives
- Environmental Landscape Degree Electives
- Computer Information Systems Prerequisites, removal of inactivated Health Informatics information
- Inactivation: Emergency Telecommunicator/Dispatcher Service Prerequisites
- Management Degree Electives
- Business Program Electives