

Modesto Junior College
Student Services Council
October 13, 2017
Morris Memorial, Conference Room A

Members	Representing	Present	Absent
Dr. James Todd, VP of Student Services	Chair	√	
Flerida Arias	Dean Rep		√
Peggy Fikse	Student Financial Services	√	
Elizabeth David	Interim Dean Rep	√	
Manny Walsh, Recorder (Recorder)	Student Services	√	
Aaron Sill	ASMJC	√	
Kristina Godinez, CSEA	CSEA		√
Rhonda Mizuno, CSAC	CSAC	√	
Brittini Clack	ASMJC	√	
Michael Girardi, Instructor, Health Education	Academic Senate	√	
Jenni Abbott	Dean Rep		√
Angelica Guzman	Director, Enrollment Services		√
Tina Giron	YFA		√
Michael Jackson	Academic Senate	√	

Call to Order

James Todd called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

I. Introductions and approval of minutes

All attendees introduced themselves. The minutes from September 22, 2017 were approved with the following corrections: Brittini Clack, Aaron Sill, Michael Jackson, Jackie Forte, and Eva Munguia were present at the meeting; Flerida Aria, Rhonda Mizuno, and Tina Giron were absent.

II. Announcements

The Dream Symposium will be held November 1st from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm and is open to all students. More information is located on the website. A new Dream Network e-mail address has been created: DreamNetwork@mjc.edu.

III. Updates

a. Accreditation

A fourteen member accreditation evaluation team visited October 2-5. The district received ten preliminary commendations. The report will be finalized in January, at which time President Stearns will report the final results.

b. SSSP/BSI/SE Integration

The Student Success and Support Plan, Basic Skills Initiative, and Student Equity will now become one integrated plan. The integrated planning will be discussed during the next Student Success and Equity Committee (SSEC) meeting which will be held on Monday, October 16, from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm, in Yosemite Hall 213. ASMJC members were encouraged to attend the meeting and invite other interested students.

c. Guided Pathways

Work has begun to implement Guided Pathways at the college. This approach has become somewhat of a state mandate. It will be a long-term project that will

take several years to develop. The pathway approach is to help students by creating a clear pathway to their goals.

d. Educational Master Plan

The current focus of the workgroup is on developing guided pathways and redesigning advising. The SSEC is now required to report to the group.

IV. Department Reports

a. Veterans

Michael Jackson reported that the Veterans Center recently offered a Financial Aid workshop and will be having a scholarship workshop on November 16. A Veteran's Day Celebration flyer was distributed announcing the November 6th event where ex-Navy Seal, Mike Ritland, will give a keynote address. The center will be moving to the Student Center this spring.

b. Counseling

Elizabeth David reported last week's High School Counselor Day was a success. Approximately one-hundred and twenty-five counselors were in attendance. MJC counseling faculty are now participating in various training sessions. The most recent training included a visit from CSU Stanislaus Liberal Arts faculty members, who informed them of the shortage of math, science, and bilingual teachers in the area. UndocuAlly had their first meeting in September and continue to have "Let's Talk Tuesdays". Members were notified of the HACU program and ongoing internships available.

c. Financial Aid

Peggy Fikse reported the FAFSA application for the 2018-19 school year is now open. Information tables were located on both campuses announcing the event. Cash for College workshops are ongoing. The new College Completion Grant was discussed. It is currently being marketed to existing EOPS students who are receiving the Cal Grant. Recipients must carry 15 units, have at least a 2.0 GPA, currently receive a Cal Grant and are closely following their academic program. The grant is a stackable one.

d. Student Success & Support

i. Access

Eva Munguia reported that there has been an increase in traffic in the pathway centers due to the 18-19 FAFSA. Approximately 4,500 students have visited the pathway centers from May 1 – August 25 (duplicated count). Their fourth specialist, Phillip Martinez, is now certified as an Inside Track Coach. Specialists are currently working with their college study skills cohorts. Each specialist has been assigned two sections. The Dream Network recently received a \$10,000 donation. Sabadó de Educación was a success. Although attendance was low, more applied.

ii. K-12

Jackie Forte reported her team is currently visiting area high schools assisting students complete their four core steps. They visited fifty-three high schools last year and plan to do the same this year. Plans are underway to assist students with registration on-site. College and Careers Access Pathways (CCAP) clarification is needed. There is confusion regarding 2+2, CCAP, CTE, and dual enrollment. Brochures and marketing materials are being updated; the length of orientation has

been reduced to less than an hour; and, a virtual tour of the campuses will be available in November.

V. **Other**
Florida will chair the next meeting.

VI. **Adjournment**
Meeting adjourned at 11:36 am.

Next Meeting: Friday, October 27 ~ 10:00 am to 12:00 pm ~ Morris Memorial A

UNAPPROVED