

COLLEGE OF THE SISKIYOU
INSTRUCTION COUNCIL MINUTES – MEETING #5

Friday, January 30, 2015

Board Room

Present: Brian Busk, Dave Clarke, Vickie Donaldson, Tim Frisbie, Jenny Heath, Steve Reynolds, Dennis Roberts, Valerie Roberts, Bart Scott, Nancy Shepard, Greg South, Bob Taylor, Dennis Weathers

Absent: Neil Carpentier-Alting, Eric Houck, Chris Vancil

Item 1. Approval of Minutes from Meeting 4

The minutes from meeting #4 were approved as read (Reynolds/Heath) with the exception of a correction to item 4, 4th sentence “ ...will be deleted from the list as this should be in coordination with IT.” All in favor.

Item 2. Prioritize Instructional Equipment Needs

The Deans met previous to the Instruction Council meeting and prioritized instructional equipment requests from the District-wide list and from the list of items that came forward this year. The carryover amount has been deleted from the amount available to spend this year because it was designated last year for another purpose. The top item, Orchestra Pit Cover, may not meet the guidelines for instructional equipment. Greg will work with Scotty on this item. If it is determined the cover does not meet the definition of instructional equipment, that amount (\$15,000) will be available and a discussion of how to spend it will take place. A motion was made to accept the Dean’s ranking list as Instruction Council’s ranking (Clarke/Heath). All in favor. The list will go to Executive Cabinet on Monday.

Item 3. Prioritize New Faculty Hires

Seven new faculty positions were discussed:

Counselor: this position will be funded through grant/categorical funding. Three counselors have left COS over the past four years. This position will help fill that gap.

English/Basic Skills: COS lost two basic skills instructors over the past three years. COS is losing students in English due to the loss of full-time instructors. In Fall 2014 COS had no FT instructors in English. Although we have a lot of PT English instructors, it is important that we have a FT instructor to work in basic skills.

English/Comp: COS also needs an Engl/comp instructor.

Math (2): Dean Weathers doesn’t believe the math department needs two instructors. One should suffice. There are quite a few PT math instructors, but we could use more.

PE/Kinesiology – Assistant Dean Roberts would like a head coach/kinesiology position filled. Most of the athletic teams are currently staffed by PT head coaches. PE FTES have gone down, but less than the college as a whole. PEMA units are the most efficient.

Welding: Welding FTES are currently above the college FTES level. Dean Taylor is working on a \$6 million dollar grant that would benefit the welding program, and a FT welding instructor would be a great help to coordinate all of the efforts and changes.

A matrix will be e-mailed to IC members to rank the seven positions.

Item 4. Other
No other items were discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:06 p.m.