Basic Skills Committee
Meeting Minutes 11/22/2010
3:00 – 4:00 PM
Compiled by: Sherry Lohse

Members Present: Michael Conroy, Cathy Gillis, Sherry Lohse, Rebecca Scott

I. Welcome

II. Adoption of Agenda: Motion to adopt by Sherry Lohse, second by Michael Conroy, unanimously approved.

III. Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve by Sherry Lohse, second by Michael Conroy, unanimously approved

IV. Public Comment: None.

V. Announcements: Rebecca Scott indicated that the Basic Skills Handbook is not available on disc. She has a copy should anyone wish to take a look at it. Several Basic Skills Conferences are forthcoming. Sherry Lohse will attend the Academic Senate Professional Development conference on Embracing the Possible for Student Success in San Jose in February. It was decided the Ca Developmental Conference put on by McGraw Hill did not suit the needs of the campus.

VI. Bylaws Revision for Academic Senate: Proposed changes to the bylaws were proposed by the executive committee. Cathy Gillis made a motion to approve the changes as given, the motion was seconded by Sherry Lohse and unanimously approved.

VII. BSI Budget:

  a. The year end budget for 09/10 was presented and reviewed.
  b. The 10/11 budget from the state has not been finalized yet.
  c. Several ideas were presented for appropriating the 10/11 budget. Cathy expressed the need for getting more students through Engl 90 and wondered how this will tie into SB1440. Expanding the writing center was suggested as a possibility to help the Engl 90 students, there are currently limited spots for students outside the linked classes to enroll. It was decided we would have Robyn present numbers for the ELC at a meeting next semester to see how those are working in terms of student success and persistence.
VIII. Academic Senate Executive Committee BSI Budget Information Request: It was noted that the Academic Senate Executive Committee has asked for the budget information and that we will be providing it.

IX. Next Meeting Items: Sherry will continue to explore new ideas for math success, including attending conferences and meeting with other schools