

# District Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 3, 2022	4:00-5:00pm CAADO 209/Zoon
Committee Members	Guests
⊠ Brian Johnson (Chair, MAT, NOR)	☐ Lijuan Zhai (AVC Ed Services and Institutional Effectiveness, RCCD)
□ Jeannie Kim (Co-Chair, VC Ed. Service	
Kelly Douglass (ENG, RCC)	Bryan Nicol (Staff, RCCD)
Ann Pfeifle (HIS, MVC)	Ellen Brown-Drinkwater (AO, RCC)
	⊠ Nick Franco (AO, NOR)
	□ Jeanne Howard (AO, MVC)
	Sabina Fernandez (Staff, MVC)
	⊠ Casandra Greene (Staff, RCC)
	⊠ Nicole Brown (Staff, NOR)
Additional Guests:	· · · · · ·

#### Zoom Information

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Meeting ID: 998 6700 6916; Passcode: 653798

#### **Agenda and Minutes**

- 1. Approval of Agenda
  - a. 1<sup>st</sup> K. Douglass; 2<sup>nd</sup> A. Pfeifle
  - b. Approved, Unanimous
- 2. Approval of Minutes April 19, 2022
  - a. 1<sup>st</sup> A. Pfeifle; 2<sup>nd</sup> K. Douglass
  - b. Approved, Unanimous

# **Reports from Colleges**

- 1. Moreno Valley
  - a. Moreno Valley held three curriculum workshops, each focused on something different with 11 or 12 guests. Also held a workshop for curriculum representatives specifically. A new curriculum representative felt much more prepared to assist with curriculum afterwards.
- 2. Norco
  - a. Nominations will take place at Norco College for the curriculum chair.



- 3. Riverside
  - a. Half of committee is holding elections. Some representatives are returning, but for some disciplines there will be new representatives.

## **Action Items**

1. Curriculum Proposals

#### **Discussion Items**

- 1. Academic Standards Discussion Item Kelly Douglass
  - a. A Department Chair requested that an issue be brought to Academic Standards regarding the use of translation services in student work.
  - b. ESL faculty who are teaching courses in English and who have some courses in English that count towards foreign language credits have found that occasionally they have a student who is writing and doing the homework in their first language and then using translation software to translate the work. In ESL, when trying to teach the language, this creates an issue. They have discussed how to address and have raised questions regarding whether or not this is considered cheating. For a composition class, this seems inappropriate. But for a literature class, it may be different.
  - c. ESL faculty are looking for guidance and support. Discussion took place in both the discipline and department. Department chair asked if Academic Standards could take up the issue and perhaps create guidance and parameters to consider. There's a desire to not be an outlier in terms of being lenient or strict. Is this something that standards would address?
  - d. Ann Pfeifle What do we already do in terms of foreign languages? What do we do without being restrictive to the academic freedom of an instructor? This is a topic that should be discussed at Academic Standards. This is also complicated by whether a course is online. There are resources that can avoid the plagiarism checkers, for example. The translation issue should be discussed, but it could be problematic on a variety of levels.
  - e. Kelly Douglass What about French or Spanish teachers? In American Literature, if the student has communicated their ideas and analyzed the literature, that's what is needed.
  - f. Steven Schmidt This could be similar to using a calculator for math courses. Do you want students using a calculator or doing the work manually?
  - g. Brian Johnson If you're teaching arithmetic, there was an unwritten rule that students should not use calculators, but once you reach a certain level, it was up to the instructor as to which topics were appropriate for a calculator and which are not. This could be an individual discipline issue. Academic Standards may be a group that focuses more on policies, such as should we have AOEs, do we have too many non-credit courses, should certain courses have letter grades, etc. When you're talking about whether students can use Google Translate for homework, that seems to be an issue for how the faculty and discipline teach that course. The



question of when to use a calculator in math, for example, would not be a topic we bring to Academic Standards.

- h. Kelly Douglass The intention of the Department Chair may have been to look for a non-policy forming group that could think about it across disciplines and provide feedback.
- i. Ann Pfeifle Could bring this topic to Academic Standards. Do the language courses have any sort of policy already? And for calculators, how official is the rule?
  - i. Brian Johnson It is decided within the discipline. And for the English scenario, it may be up to the faculty and discipline as discipline experts.

## **Program Documentation**

- 1. Riverside Data Analytics
- 2. Moreno Valley Early Childhood Education School Age
- 3. Riverside Data Science
- 4. Riverside Elementary Teacher Education
- 5. Moreno Valley Psychology
- 6. Riverside Education, Human Development and Special Needs
- 7. Moreno Valley Dental Assistant

# **District Curriculum Committee Notes**

Votes by Member for 05/03/2022

Course	25							
<u>Course</u>	Inclusions	MNR	Action			Johnson	Pfeifle	
CIS 61	Introduction to Database Theory		Approved	١	(	Y	Υ	
CIS 63	Introduction to Structured Query Language (SQL)		Approved	٢	(	Y	Υ	
<u>Course</u>	Major Modifications	MNR	Action			Johnson	Pfeifle	
ADJ 12	Introduction to Criminalistics		Approved	١	(	Y	Υ	
ART 41	B Figure Painting-Intermediate		Approved	١	(	Y	Υ	
CON 62	Print Reading for Construction		Approved	١	(	Y	Υ	
ELE 61	Robotics for Manufacturing		Approved	١	(	Y	Υ	
MAN 6	1 Robotics for Manufacturing		Approved	١	(	Y	Υ	
MAT 2	Math for Elementary School Teachers		Approved	١	(	Y	γ	
POL 14	Internship in Political Science		Approved	١	(	Y	Y	
POL 2	Comparative Politics		Approved	١	(	Y	γ	
POL 2H	Honors Comparative Politics		Approved	١	(	Y	Y	
POL 5	Introduction to Law		Approved	٢	(	Y	Υ	
<u>Course</u>	Minor Modifications	MNR	Action			Johnson	Pfeifle	
BUS 81	4 Business Skills: Professional Communication Basics		Approved	١	(	Y	Υ	
BUS 81	7 Business Skills: Professional Self-Management		Approved	١	(	Y	Υ	
CAT 81	4 Business Skills: Professional Communication Basics		Approved	١	(	Y	Υ	
CAT 81	7 Business Skills: Professional Self-Management		Approved	٢	(	Y	Υ	
Distand	e Education	MNR	Action			Johnson	Pfeifle	
CIS 210	DE Red Hat Linux System Administration I		Approved	١	(	Y	Υ	

Courses							
Distance E	ducation	MNR	Action	Doualass	Johnson	Pfeifle	
CIS 27CDE	Palo Alto Networks Firewall Essentials		Approved	Y	Y	Y	
EAR 810DE	Family Child Care – Our Business		Approved	Υ	Y	γ	
EAR 811DE	Family Child Care – Our Curriculum		Approved	Υ	Y	γ	
EAR 812DE	Family Child Care – Our Family and Community		Approved	Y	Y	Y	
ENG 8DE	Introduction to Mythology		Approved	Υ	Y	γ	
HUM 8DE	Introduction to Mythology		Approved	Y	Y	Y	
MAT 109DX	Corequisite Support for Math 9		Approved	Y	Y	γ	
MAT 9DE	BSTEM College Algebra		Approved	Y	Y	Y	
<u>Extensive L</u>	<u>.abs</u>	MNR	Action	Doualass	Johnson	Pfeifle	
GEO 4	Earth Science for Educators		Approved	Y	Y	Y	
New Cours	<u>es</u>	MNR	Action	Doualass	Johnson	Pfeifle	
EAR 57	School Age Child Care Programs and Curriculum		Approved	Y	Y	Υ	
EAR 58	Recreational Leadership in School Age Child Care		Approved	Y	Y	Y	
EAR 59	Practicum in School-Age		Approved	Y	Y	Υ	
Programs							
New Progra	<u>ams</u>	MNR	Action	Doualass	Johnson	Pfeifle	
Certificate							
CIS	Data Analytics		Approved	Υ	Y	Υ	
EAR	Early Childhood Education School Age		Approved	Y	Y	Y	
Degree CIS	Data Science		Approved	Y	Y	Y	

Program	าร					
<u>Program</u>	Modifications	M N R	Action	Doualass	Johnson	Pfeifle
ADT						
EAR	Elementary Teacher Education		Approved	Y	Y	Υ
PSY	Psychology		Approved	Y	Υ	Y
AOE						
ART	Fine and Applied Arts		Approved	Y	Y	Y
СОМ	Communication, Media and Languages		Approved	Y	Y	Y
Degree						
EAR	Education, Human Development and Special Needs		Approved	Y	Y	Y
Degree & C	ertificate					
DEA	Dental Assistant		Approved	Υ	Y	Y