

ACADEMIC SENATE

Southwestern College Academic Senate Mission Statement:

"The Southwestern College Academic Senate is committed to ensuring the academic integrity of the institution and enhancing the role of the faculty in academic and professional matters."

Academic SLO Meeting Monday, November 30, 2009 10:30am-11:30am, Room 104

Members:, Val Goodwin, Joel Levine, Patti Flores-Charter, Margie Stinson, Victoria Lopez, Shannon Gracey, Richard Fielding, Mark Meadows, Cidhinnia Torres Campos, Lukas Buehler (Angie Stuart and Alejandro Orozco are unable to attend this fall due to schedule, but will be included in agendas/minutes and provide input as appropriate)

SLO Regular Meetings: First and Third Monday of each month from 10:30 am to 11:30 am in Room 104.

Minutes

- I. Reviewed/approved Nov. 16 minutes with one correction of Date in item #1 from Nov. 16to Nov. 2 as that was when the meeting was held.
- **II. Spring 2010:** Margie Stinson has agreed to serve as the interim-chair of the SLO Committee for Spring 2010. Patti will organize agenda topics based on our SLO Plan and work with Margie and committee on goals for spring 2010.
- **III. eLumen:** Not ready for testing yet. Patti has four faculty willing to pilot rubrics and test eLumen. She will get them organized for spring testing of eLumen.

We spent much time discussing the efficacy of SLOs and assessment. This is a topic which comes up with all faculty. Patti shared that some colleges have developed assessment policies which set clear limits on how SLO assessments would be used. She will solicit this information from those colleges again so we can consider development of our own Governing Board policy to alleviate concerns. Then we can focus on how we will implement SLOs so that students benefit.

- IV. Spring 2010 Training: Shannon Gracey has agreed to develop training for spring 2010. Patti described how she worked in the past as the Academic Program Review Chair to develop trainings with the Research Office and jointly present. Patti recommends that this would work very well with the faculty focus on rubric development and Research focus on use of eLumen. Patti is working to schedule a meeting with Cidhinnia, Shannon, and Patti to discuss this. The next step will be to schedule the trainings.
- V. Website: Patti will contact Patricia Ramert about populating the SLO test site with these documents.

- 1. Academic SLO (Overview) and Link to SLO Plan?
- 2. What are SLOs?
- 3. History of SLO Development
- 4. Academic SLO Definitions
- 5. SLO Philosophy
- 6. SLO Assessment Philosophy
- 7. Core Competencies for Student Learning
- 8. Why Measure SLOs?
- 9. Measurement Options
- 10. Assessment Resources
- 11. Finding SLO Results
- 12. Finding SLOs by Course and Program
- 13. SLO Faculty Resources

VI. Student Participation in SLOs: Tabled

Next SLO Meeting: Monday, December 7, 10:30 am-11:30 am in room 104.