

Professional Learning Committee

May 9, 2023

3:30-4:30 p.m.

AC 303 and Zoom

Present: Cara Kreit, Mary Kesler, Stacey Lince, Allyson Martinez, Tea Perales, Sally Wong, Tonya Hersch, Shook Chung, Danila Musante, Carol Hernandez, Patty France

Absent: Connie Lehua, Cari Torres-Benavides

Guests in attendance: Colleen Mihal, Yashica Crawford

Agenda - Agenda approved

Minutes – Minutes for 4/25/23 approved

Meeting Goals:

Flex Week August

Employee Appreciation Lunch

Committee Updates:

- Appreciative inquiry from around the College.
 - Q&A with author Margo Candela – May 18
 - May 15: What is Your Why? Classified Professional Learning COM Hour Session
 - TLC Task Force meeting was last week: Managers, Faculty, Classified
 - Overview: goals of the TLC will accomplish goals of PL plan and strategic plan. In groups: discussion of what kind of PL is happening in your area and what would you like to happen? This was the kick-off meeting.

Requests for Classified Funds: Stacey Lince (approved), Joseph Scarcella (approved with clarification of the process)

Flex Week Planning

- Flex Proposals Review – tabled to next time.
- Updates on Convocation Day: Student Panel is moving ahead. MAPS counselors may be taking the lead on this. Nequeshe will do outreach to the Learning Communities to find students as well.
- Post-Convocation breakout from 11-12: Proposal from IDEA Committee to have Affinity Groups as breakout groups. A pathway to moving equity goals forward. President Coon's 9-point plan for the college includes these.
 - 3 Different breakout spaces will be needed – logistics at Jonas discussed
 - Discussion about whether PLC should request that Classified Professionals be allowed release during this time if it is feasible for their department
 - Agreement to move forward with this for Convocation
- Discussion of proposal for Equity in Mental Health Symposium on Thursday and Friday of Flex Week.

- Last year, this symposium was held during Pre-Flex week but did not have faculty turnout. Goal for Flex Week would be to have more faculty engagement.
 - Discussion of whether to devote two full days to this programming.
 - This would be a shift and could be very impactful to the schedule of Flex Week. Pushing other learning/departments meetings to other times in the year.
 - Student mental health is a big issue that needs to be addressed.
- Next steps: more planning next meeting regarding Flex Week scheduling.

Employee Appreciation Lunch Planning – tabled to next meeting

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Next PLC meeting is scheduled for May 23, 2023.