

Professional Learning Committee Meeting
October 22, 2024
3:30 - 4:30 pm
AC 303 and Zoom

Present: Cara Kreit, Patricia France, Holley Shafer, Sally Wong, Allyson Martinez, Stacey Lince, Mary Kesler, Alyssa Graff, Shawna Callahan, Lauren Servais, Shook Chung, Teresa Perales, Danila Musante

Absent: Cari Torres-Benavides, Nikki Harris,

- **Agenda** - Agenda approved
- **Minutes** – 10/8/24 minutes approved
- **Funding Requests: Sally Wong**
- **Appreciative Inquiry in Professional Learning:**
 - 4CPD summary from Alyssa and Mary
 - LIFT AI Webinar Series
 - AI app and using Play Lab – Chancellor’s Office
 - Native American Perspectives Panel Q&A presented by Duane Bigeagle– 10/30
 - Native American Master Speaker Series – 11/18
- **Classified Professional Learning Day**
 - Suggested: Wed. 3/19 during Spring Break at Kentfield
 - Suggestion to break it up into more than one day
 - Make Flex Week more inclusive to Classified, summer as possible alternative date, or Friday, or Thursday.
- **Flex Week and Convocation (President Eldridge joined PLC for discussion)**
 - Convocation Day
 - § Wednesday vs. Thursday (Thursday is better for Welcome Center – deadlines)
 - § Kentfield vs. IVC
 - Discussion of challenge for Classified Staff who need to be there for the afternoon but are not invited to UPM lunch
 - § Convocation themes discussion:
 - Great feedback about the pop-up updates
 - Fall 2025 Convocation will be centered around Centennial

- Caring Campus launch will be on Convocation Day
- Challenge is how to make Convocation relevant to everyone
- Discussion about well-being for Convocation topic:
 - During President's visits to classrooms: students seem to be excited to be here on campus, post-Pandemic
 - Comment from faculty that the students are not all OK
 - Is this more of a global conversation or are there separate issues that can be addressed separately?
 - Our resources are good, but students and faculty are still struggling
 - We need more specifics about the issues and understanding of where our place is in the solution.
 - What is the impact on employees/faculty when students are struggling and what can we do to support each other and the students?
 - Building generativity: we don't solve these problems in one session, but build on previous discussions
 - Allowing space to hear from students
 - Caring Campus: launch
 - Launch of the 5 commitments (what we are going to do), but also emphasis on the positive outcomes for employees and students
 - Equity in Mental Health conference highlighted that mental health support is woven into all our jobs.
 - Suggestion to institutionalize these topics.
 - Which sessions/topics from EMH can we revisit or build on at COM during Flex Week?
 - Uncertainty about the November election/January inauguration
 - Suggestion that many would like something joyful to celebrate in January during Convocation
 - Talk about our collectiveness and how to work together if Project 2025 is enacted
 - Have clear learning outcomes around how to support each other if that is direction
- **Professional Learning Spotlight**
 - Culturally Responsive Pedagogy and Practices Program (Patty France) – tabled to next meeting

- Next meeting is November 12
- Meeting adjourned