

DAS President Communication

Week 11 Recap

Spring 2021

Week 11 Meetings Attended by DAS President

Monday April 5th

- LRCFT Equity Reflection Mtg 1pm
 - Discussion with LRCFT representatives about developing a contract session regarding the new Equity Reflection component of the performance review process.
 - Session in May, during FLEX week, and then early in fall semester.

Tuesday April 6th

- Program Placement Council (PPC) 11:30am
 - Approved Music proposals from CRC
 - Reviewed Food Science proposals from FLC. Will come back to May PPC meeting.
 - Approved new operating guidelines.
 - Draft of proposal template will be created by Powell and Oliver for vetting.
- LRCFT Equity Reflection Mtg 1pm (same as Monday)
- DAS Leadership Mtg with King & Nye 2pm
 - See notes below
- District Academic Senate 3pm

Wednesday April 7th

- CCCCCO Webinar 9am
 - Financial Aid Reform and Advocacy
- Meeting with King & Nye 10am
 - Hiring-AVC of Finance; ES Faculty Council resolution requesting full time hiring and department formation; Expanding HR recruitment efforts
 - Centralization-use of student design teams for input; PeopleSoft Financial Aid Implementation Team, need to determine purpose; communication to come from DO
 - Class Size Resolution-formation of task force, perhaps a summit in the fall
- LRCFT Executive Meeting 3pm (report below)

Thursday April 8th

- Meeting with Nye 11am
 - Further discussion-improving services and centralization, class size resolution, accreditation, LRCCD Strategic Plan reaffirmation

Week 12 Recap

Week 12 Meetings Attended by DAS President

Monday April 12th

- Meeting with Glycer-Culver regarding student survey
 - No feedback from students
 - Survey to launch on April 13th

Tuesday April 13th

- Meeting with King & Nye 3:30pm
 - Accreditation concerns will be addressed by Gohar Momijian on April 28th at DACC
 - Consultation-need college conversations, DESSC included as appropriate, bringing in consultant on FA and A&R plans

Wednesday April 14th

- ASCCC Executive Committee Meeting 9am-5pm
 - CCCCO reports enrollment down ¼ million students from Fall 2019 to Fall 2020, [interactive map](#)
 - Chancellor Oakley spoke about slow reopening to ensure safety
 - ES Title 5 changes to first reading at Board of Governors in May, second reading in July,, expected tot be approved; after passage CCCCO will create an ES Task Force to work on implementation, with faculty appointed by ASCCC
 - ASCCC working with CCC ES Council on TMC (could be established by Feb 2022), C-ID, etc.
- LRCCD Board of Trustees Meeting 4:30pm
 - Special study session
 - Los Rios Board of Trustees has identified a review of Career Exploration Tools at the four Los Rios Colleges as a project to improve outcomes for students. The purpose of the Special Study Session is to:
 - (1) Discuss the goal to align and improve access for all students, and particularly students of color, to an effective career exploration tool;
 - (2) Discuss the strategy to achieve the goal; and
 - (3) Outline the action steps to support the project and achieve the goal.The Board is committed to implementation of the project in the interest of our students.
 - [Legislative Update](#)

Thursday April 15th -Saturday April 17th

- ASCCC Spring Plenary

Week 13 Outlook

Week 13 Meetings Scheduled for DAS President

Monday April 19th

- LRCCD Strategic Plan Meeting with Bush 8am
- Meeting with Knapp 3pm

Tuesday April 20th

- Meeting with Powell-PPC proposal template 10:30am
- DAS Leadership meeting with King & Nye 1:30pm

Wednesday April 21st

- CCCCCO Webinar 9am
- Meeting with King 10am

Thursday April 22nd

- Meeting with Nye 1pm
 - Distance Educational Technology Committee (DETC) 3pm
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DAS Leadership Mtg with King & Nye

Tuesday April 6, 2021

1. Any recent developments on the Fall planning

- No changes except pharm tech added to difficult to convert list
- CA may be removing tiers on June 15th so more likely to not have distancing which means more likely that on ground will remain on ground, also maybe more second 8-week courses to be added (new FTE, limited amount)

2. Centralization of services-concern over the decline in local college autonomy, local decision-making, and the potential impacts to our college accreditation.

- FA and A&R announcement of centralization causing concern
- No question that there may be an operational benefit for streamlining and cost cutting measures
- Lack of shared governance and consultation
- Process for Institutional planning is "10+1" item
- Tutoring hiring centralization by HR has some concerned
 - i. Colleges made the request for help when pandemic closure happened last spring, no discussion for long-term centralization
 - ii. Need clarification of colleges asking for that help
 - iii. Communication-information brief in writing, memo from DO or HR, allows for consistency
- Interest in centralization premature without structure in place to seamlessly implement
- Need to ensure a smooth roll out for any centralization which happens

- PeopleSoft Financial Aid Implementation Liaison Team-questions about this group and whether or not it is currently meeting
 - DCCC-conversations about Degree Planner and concerns about college-to-college consistency. Degree Audit system needs to be improved for accuracy.
 - Student Design Team-have they been implemented for FA and A&R discussions? Should have faculty in the room during these conversations to hear directly from the students.
3. Summer Senate Stipends (as needed)
 - Hoping for less workload this summer, but if there is a need to call a special district meeting then compensation will be available (B2-B3 ESA rate hourly)
 - Normal responsibility-BOT meetings
 4. Overview of continuity of leadership/transitions
 - AS leadership changes over routinely
 - Who will be AS officers next year?
 - i. ARC-nominations being accepted now for elections on April 22nd
 - ii. CRC-Scott Crosier, President; Camille Moreno, VP; Lisa-Marie Mederos, Secretary [as of May 14th]
 - iii. FLC-Eric Wada, President; Rose Giordano, VP; Lisa Danner, Secretary
 - iv. SCC-same officers continue for 2021-2022
 - v. DAS-reaffirmation today
 5. Strategic Enrollment Management (Access)
 - 10% down in enrollment from pre-pandemic
 - Hold harmless only about 2 more years to recapture lost enrollment
 - Concern about what will happen if lost enrollment is not recaptured? Very concerning about what those consequence may be
 - Access targeted with district and college strategic goals for students of color
 6. Class Size Review and Nexus with Strategic Enrollment Management
 - Potential loss revenue with class cap changes
 - Need to think about impact on student success
 - Also concern about salary implications
 - Many SUJIC conversations may be needed
 - Shared interest to discuss course size and student success
 - Class caps are inconsistent across disciplines; VPIs are discussing
 - Resolution being considered at DAS asks for a governance group to be formed at the district level to investigate the issue from an equity angle
 7. Equity Focus on Improving Services for Students
 - Focused on improving the service for financial aid and getting FA to students quickly
 - Improving how students receive transactional services
 - Possible that up to 80% of counselors would want to do remote counseling
 8. LRCCD strategic plan reaffirmation will be needed in the fall, need to determine a process now for the fall.

District Academic Senate (DAS) Report to LRCFT Wednesday April 7, 2021

DAS Resolution-Impact of Class Size on Instructor Ability to Engage as Equitable Practitioners

- Passed at the April 6, 2021 DAS meeting and attached in full at the end of this document.
- First call for action-“a task force be convened to develop recommendations for establishing a standing governance body whose purpose shall be to set guidelines for determining optimum class sizes on a course-by-course, discipline-by-discipline, and college-by-college basis.”
- DAS Leadership will be working with King and Nye on the formation of this task group.

Los Rios Ethnic Studies Faculty Council

- The ES Council submitted a resolution to DAS for first reading. The resolution asked for support for the development of ES departments and ES full time tenure-track hiring.
- The DAS will consider the resolution as a second reading at the April 20th meeting.

Centralization and Collegial Consultation

- Concern was expressed over plans for the centralization of financial aid and admissions & records, and over past centralization decisions
 - Discussion was had about ensuring collegial consultation on these issues throughout the process
- Also, the desire to reinstate the Student Design Teams at DO to get student feedback was shared