

**Planning Committee  
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March 5, 2015 2:00 – 4:00 pm  
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**Planning Committee Chair:** Kiran Kamath

**Recorder:** BethAnn Robertson

**Committee Members Present:** Bob Kratochvil, Gail Newman, Cecil Nasworthy, Paula Gunder, Ryan Pedersen, Leetha Robertson, Tara Dale Sanders (alternate), Jesse Rosalez

**Planning Committee Members Not Present:** Ruth Goodin, George Mills, Catherine Fonseca

**Guests:** Natalie Hannum, Nancy Ybarra, A'kilah Moore, Guo Sum Kim (Milton Clarke POLSC Student)

<b>CURRENT ITEMS</b>						
<i>Item #</i>	<i>Topic/Activity</i>	<i>Desired Outcome</i>	<i>Information Discussion Action</i>	<i>Lead</i>	<i>Time (mins)</i>	<i>Meeting Notes:</i>
1.	Welcome			Kamath		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kiran welcomed the POLSC student and guests to the meeting. Jesse Rosalez is the new LMCAS Representative to the Committee. Leetha Robertson is the new Classified Senate Representative and Tara Dale Sanders is the new Classified Senate Alternate Representative.</li> </ul>
2.	Public Comment	Listen to our college community	I	Kamath	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cecil attended a Workforce Development and Economic Trends Task Force Workshop on Friday February 27, 2015. Cecil will share more details about the workshop with the Committee at the next meeting.</li> </ul>
3.	Agenda Minutes from February 5, 2015	Review and approval Review and approval	A A	Kamath	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The agenda was reviewed and approved (<b>Ryan Pedersen motioned, Cecil Nasworthy seconded; all approved 7-0-0</b>)</li> <li>The minutes from the February 5, 2015 meeting were reviewed and approved (<b>Ryan Pedersen motioned, Paula Gunder seconded; all approved 7-0-0</b>)</li> </ul>
<b><u>OLD BUSINESS</u></b>						
4.	Committee Organization <i>(Handout-8 Keys to Improving Task Forces and Committees in Higher Education – emailed after last meeting)</i>	Determine how best to organize ourselves and operate in order to accomplish committee charges efficiently and expeditiously	I, D	Kamath, Gunder	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The document <i>8 Keys to Improving Task Forces and Committees in Higher Education</i> was e-mailed to members of the Committee after the last meeting following a discussion on how to organize ourselves in terms of representing and reporting out to our respective constituencies, forming work teams, and length of terms for members.</li> <li>Members again commented that the most efficient way to complete the work of the Committee is to work in teams and present drafts to the Committee as a whole for review and approval.</li> <li>The <i>Integrated Planning Team</i> has met and will be reporting out today (item #6). The Instructional Deans have been invited to the meeting today with the expectation that one Dean will join the <i>Program Review Validation/Review Team</i> as it begins its work. See “Actionable Improvement Plan #1” regarding the Planning Committee developing a program review validation process in collaboration with the Office of Instruction.</li> </ul>

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5.	Program Review Participation Survey <i>(Handout – form emailed after last meeting)</i>	Review and finalize survey instrument	D, A	Pedersen, Mills	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Committee reviewed the final draft of the Program Review Participation Survey. After the last Committee meeting, a few recommended changes were made (the addition of an introduction, addition of PRST interaction questions and the wording on question #4 was changed).</li> <li>• The survey will be a random sampling from all constituencies of the College. George and Ryan will develop a key so participants are anonymous. The survey will be copied on three (3) different colors of paper to represent the three constituencies (i.e. Managers, Faculty and Classified).</li> <li>• Following some discussion, it was recommended that a good sampling size be 10-15% of each constituency and include Adjunct Faculty. <b>(Ryan Pedersen motioned, Leetha Robertson seconded; all approved 7-0-0).</b></li> </ul>

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6.	Strategic and Operational Plans; Integrated Planning <b>(Read Chaffey Model of Integrated Planning – emailed after last meeting)</b> (Review diagrams on pages 5 and 11)	Discuss integrated planning model to operationalize the LMC strategic plan	I,D	Kamath, Gunder, Goodin	50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The <i>Chaffey Model of Integrated Planning</i> was shared as reading material at the last Committee meeting.</li> <li>• What is integrated planning and how should we do it at LMC? It is both the cycle of planning and assessment as well as the integration of other plans and initiatives with our strategic plan.</li> <li>• The “Integrated Planning Team” (Paula, Ruth, Kiran and Tara) formed at the last meeting, met and discussed the Chaffey model. They shared a PowerPoint of a draft LMC model based on the Chaffey model for discussion. It is important that whatever model we finally decide on, that the Planning Committee needs <i>to own</i> the model.</li> <li>• How do we go from ‘Strategic’ to ‘Operational’ Plans? Included in the “LMC Strategic Plan 2014-2019” document are the four (4) Strategic Directions and the diagram “Implementation: Strategic Activities” at the end of the document. To fill in the activities in the diagram, the Committee has been discussing the following approach for the last two months:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ “Bottom Up” activities will be summarized from program review. It is hoped that the Excel spreadsheet that Mike Becker will send the Office of P&amp;IE will provide the information needed i.e. activities and improvements for each of the four strategic directions.</li> <li>○ “Lateral activities” will be gathered from College Plans (i.e. EM, Technology); CA Community College Plans (i.e. BSI, 3SP); and Grants (i.e. HSI, STEM) during a retreat and a blue-wall activity.</li> <li>○ The gaps will need to be addressed from “top-down” as portrayed in the diagram. It is yet to be determined who will do this. The Planning Committee, the Cabinet, or a combination of both?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• ” The Committee had the following comments on the <i>Draft Integrated Planning Model</i>:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ It should include the District’s Strategic Directions that the LMC Strategic Directions align with.</li> <li>○ How do each of these plans get prioritized? We have to look at retrenchment? How would the plan address elimination due to lack of funding? When we see gaps and/or implement new ideas/plans then we may need to stop “doing” other ideas/plans.</li> <li>○ How do we gather information from the plans? At the last two (2) meetings we discussed conducting a retreat with all the leaders of the plans. As preparation for the retreat, we would send them questions and information to read beforehand. Then we would participate in a blue-wall exercise to determine what each plan contributed towards the strategic directions. Each</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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<b><u>NEW BUSINESS</u></b>						
7.	Program Review Submission Tool (PRST) Survey Results and other Feedback (Handout: Survey Results)	Modifications to be made for August 2015 roll-out of PRST	I, D, A	Kamath	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Committee discussed the Program Review Submission Tool (PRST) Survey results. There were fewer (18) responses this year, and there were more positive than last year.</li> <li>• Comments and suggestions offered for the next version are:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A deadline for program Manager to sign-off on Program Review (i.e. similar to RAP) before it is due.</li> <li>○ There were many browser issues</li> <li>○ Complaints about SQL as there are no tips online. (Greg Stoup has been notified about this since the District handles SQL)</li> <li>○ Issues with the verification button (Kiran will be meeting with the Deans and Dave Belman)</li> <li>○ Clarify Professional Development. Kiran will be meeting with Ruth regarding the Professional Development tab that was piloted in the PRST this year.</li> <li>○ Some had difficulty finding and understanding the data in the PRST.</li> <li>○ The character limit should be expanded.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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8.	SENSE and/or CCSSE Survey	Determine when next survey should be conducted	I, D	Kamath	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Rosa Armendariz contacted Kiran about SENSE and CCSSE Surveys. The EXITO Grant ends in October and funding is available for one or maybe both surveys. Greg Stoup is hoping coordinate a similar schedule for these surveys in all CCCCD Colleges.</li> <li>● The Committee commented that if we only enough funding for one survey, conduct the CCSSE. Greg will assist with comparing these results with previous results that will serve as the benchmark. It was commented, that we need help in learning how to use the data once we get it (a RAP has been submitted again this year for a Research Coach housed at LMC).</li> <li>● Kiran will communicate the Committee’s interest to Rosa and will inquire about the grant extension and if there are enough funds for both surveys. Kiran will report back to the Committee.</li> </ul>
9.	Program Review Validation Process	Discuss how it fits with integrated planning and expand membership of work team	I, D	Pederson	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● What does Program Review Validation mean? How does it inform Planning? Program Review Validation is not just checking boxes to know if a program review is complete. The purpose is not to be punitive, but evaluative and to close the loop on the process. Program review is at “the heart” of Accreditation. It is one of the areas in the “Cycle of Planning and Assessing” and Integrated Planning. The instructional deans are working with Department Chairs to establish standards in completing Program Review. It would be very</li> </ul>

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10.	Announcements			All	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No Announcements at this time</li> </ul>
11.	<p>Building Future Agendas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Codify a sustainable Program/Unit Review Validation or Review Process</li> <li>• Discuss strategies to implement Integrated Planning</li> <li>• Regular Cycles for Surveys and Reviewing the College Mission</li> <li>• Develop familiarity with Standard I</li> <li>• Discuss Administrative Unit Outcomes</li> </ul>	Gather Committee comments and suggestions regarding these and additional agenda items	I, D	All	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No additional agenda items at this time</li> </ul>
12.	Adjournment					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting adjourned at 4:08 p.m.</li> </ul>
Spring 2015 meetings dates: April 9, May 7						