

ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, November 19, 2012
Interactive Video Classrooms
Vernon Campus and Century City Campus

Present: Dr. Gary Don Harkey, Chair; Bettye Hutchins, Greg Fowler, Karen Gragg, Marian Grona, Mark Holcomb, Adrien Ivan, Kristin Harris, Shana Munson, and Sharon Winn. Absent: Cathy Bolton, Joe Hite, Joe Johnston (working in the CSA Center), Lynn Kalski, Jessica Sutherland, and Michelle Wood

I. Old Business

A. Approval of Minutes

Greg Fowler motioned to accept the October 22, 2012 minutes seconded by Shana Munson. The motion passed unanimously.

II. New Business

A. Welding Program Revisions

At the recommendation of the Welding Advisory Committee, Mark Holcomb made a motion to add MCHN 2403 Fundamentals of Computer Numerical Controlled (CNC) Machine Controls and WLDG 1427 Intermediate Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) as electives in the welding program. Mark also included in the motion the deletion of DFTG 1409 Basic Computer-Aided Drafting, ITSC 1409 Integrated Software Applications, ITSW 1401 Introduction to Word Processing and MCHN 1438 Basic Machine Shop I. Shana Munson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Mark commented that GOVT 2305 Federal Government will be added to replace of GOVT 2301 American Government I and GOVT 2302 American Government II to comply with ACGM revisions. Dr. Harkey said all A.A.S. degree plans will be revised to reflect the government course changes.

B. Automotive Program

Mark Holcomb motioned to renew the local needs course, AUMT 1472 High Performance Modification: Theory and Execution, for the Automotive Program. This course maintains a steady enrollment and no problems are anticipated upon requesting the renewal. Sharon Winn seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

C. Farm and Ranch Management Program Revision

Mark Holcomb motioned to remove AGAH 1311 Livestock Evaluation I from the Certificate of Completion listing effective Fall 2013 because the course is being archived in WECM. The mirror transfer course, AGRI 2321 Livestock Evaluation I, remains for credit in the Farm and Ranch Management Program. AGAH 1311 will also be removed from the Tech Prep 6-Year Plan and articulation agreements. Sharon Winn seconded the motion and the council voted unanimously in approval.

D. Non-Course-Based Option for Pre-Algebra

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board has mandated that, effective Spring 2013, each community college must offer at least one non-course-based option for developmental education. After attending numerous meetings in Austin and several conferences, Dr. Gragg and Margaret Patin developed a plan for MATH 0001 Pre-

Algebra Workshop. Students scoring 39-49 on the Accuplacer test may elect to participate in the workshop with the potential of enrolling in Elementary Algebra instead of Pre-Algebra for the spring semester. Students enrolling in the workshop will not pay tuition for the course; however, they must purchase the access code for the MyMathLab website (approximately \$80). The code will work for the workshop and for enrollment in Elementary Algebra for Spring 2013. Dr. Gragg explained that students will be given short focused quizzes on specific learner outcomes for pre-algebra. The quizzes will be diagnostic in nature and allow students to concentrate only on the outcomes that they have not already mastered. Online software, instructional videos, and personal attention from math instructors will address each student's individual needs. Students may work outside of class time utilizing the online module. Student contact hours will be logged for reimbursement purposes. Adjunct math instructors will teach this one week, 20 hour workshop meeting 9:00 am – 1:00 pm Monday through Friday, January 7-11, 2013. Sessions will be scheduled in Vernon and in Wichita Falls.

Credit awarded for successful completion of the workshop will be recorded on a Course Challenge Exam Form. Submission of this form to the Registrar's Office will result in a grade of "CR" appearing on the student's transcript for MATH0100 and for MATH0200 if all objectives are mastered. Council members discussed registration challenges noting that some adjustments in course offerings or maximum enrollments may be necessary to accommodate students completing the workshop and seeking to enroll in the next developmental course in the spring semester.

Dr. Gragg made a motion to implement the Non-Course-Based Option for Pre-Algebra, MATH 0001 Workshop effective January 2013. Mark Holcomb seconded the motion. Shana Munson suggested that it might be helpful to register students through Continuing Education because that process would generate a student roster and the instructor's payment. Additional discussion will determine the best way to handle enrollments in this course. Council members voted unanimously to pass the motion.

III. Other

- A.** Greg Fowler reported that Dr. Garrison stated that Midwestern State University was not changing their government courses because they teach POLS 1322 and POLS 1433 which are not part of the mandatory ACGM revisions.
- B.** The next Academic Council meeting is scheduled for November 19, 2012 at 2:00 pm. in VER204 and CCC712.

V. Adjourn

Greg Fowler motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Cathy Bolton.