Math and Natural Sciences Department

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
Friday, Sep. 4th (12noon-1:00pm), 346-101


Dean C.Manaseri shares info on STEM Pipeline project (handout), dev.ed reform, STEM Ctr, STEmEI cmtegroup efforts to continue this semester and STEMtech conference in November...

I. College Committee Assignments –
   Curriculum: Bernhard (more than 2 yrs, DC will ask for relief)
   Educational Policy: Jill (agrees to 2nd yr)
   Faculty Policy: Roberta (return from sabbatical for 2nd yr)
   Faculty Senate Executive: Marilyn (agrees to 2nd yr)
   General Education Certification: Michelle (agrees to 2nd yr)
   System: Articulation/Laura (not present) & Dev.Ed. (defunct/disbanded group)

II. U.H. Center @ W.HI update –
   Brie/Paul Day resignation (new full-time biology position tba, hire for Fall’16)
   Palamanui Campus news/concerns (8 classrooms functioning, 2 lab rooms that are undergoing reconstruction, some labs cancelled, 3 lab courses being taught at Kealakekua campus, ALL labs scheduled to run in Spring ‘16, mobile white boards forthcoming, grand opening delayed till January; Lead Faculty position vacated by K.Sims & future status is uncertain)

III. Assessment Update –
   I.A. Coordinator, Reshela DuPuis / 346-130: (PATH available 9/18?)
   Voluntarily Assessed Courses for Fall ‘15 or Spring ‘16
      (previous schedule created by DC was unrealistic, will assign courses if needed by those instructed by one faculty only)
   E Imi Pono Day: Sep.18th (Fri.) 12noon to 2:00pm
      (all LBRT mtg, cover Written Communication PLO assessment from Spr.’15, discuss PLO reduction from ten to five addressing descriptors/benchmarks, to be moderated by Dean & DCs)

IV. Miscellaneous –
   STEM Center - Bldg.396
      (two classrooms for 25 students functional w/one polycom, student study area & conference room are future possibilities, L.Brezinsky, D.D’Haenens-Luker, L.Kaluna & K.Schorr offices are located here, DC asked all to visit and advise if suitable for their classes)
   Office Door-card Schedule & Syllabi (Fall ‘15)
   DE/DL course requests due today for Spr’16
      (Math 27/110/135/140, Geog 101, Micr 130)
Prospective promotions: DPC alternates (new criteria for DPC members to be at rank of rank being sought rather than current rank of applicant)

Trina request for LC – Math 100 w/HUM 100 for Spr.’16
(no immediate volunteers, will ask JSC or Denise if needed)

GE Designation vs. Foundations (new chair S.Giordenengo, will proceed as Foundations is in limbo, Math 100 to be resubmitted by DC)

AA LBRT program modification (catalog & advising sheets are contradictory and both are incorrect, embarrassing, and will submit corrections as discussed for the third time as to 2 groups w/labs and general agreement to omit Geog 122 & 180/L by Sep.18th to CRC)

ASNS degrees – provisional to permanent? (requires L.Brezinsky to work w/science instructors, most details are unknown as this time)

Dev Ed changes mandated(?) for Fall ‘16 – Math 82/88
(Math75/75x/78 info provided by T.Cravens, much discussion 1-2:15pm about keeping Math 26 & 27 as is, as well as infeasibility of Math 1/22 students being successful, DC reminded that companion/co-requisite courses are needed for 1-step below dev ed students, Eng is developing a 3-credit course rather than 1 or 2 credits; DC assures that HawCC will not simply conform but will seek out our own solution/curriculum where EdReady might help – Toni informs that J.Morton expects 70% or more of dev.ed students will be accelerated through to completion of transfer-Level math within first yr, while DC informs that he has seen nothing in writing and believes the acceleration is an option rather than mandatory)

V. Upcoming meetings – Oct. 2nd, Nov. 6th, and Dec. 4th

Science faculty adjourned at 1:00pm, math faculty adjourned about 2:15pm