SCIENCE AND MATH DIVISION MEETING MINUTES Oct. 6, 2009

PRESENT:

Dennis Anderson
Marsha Austin
Bruce Bailey
Kristy Bailey
Daniel Benton
Brenda Breeding
Lisa Buckelew
Paul Buckelew
Tamara Carter
Roger Choate
Sharon Coffman
Betty Coleman
Courtney Dodd
Dale Duke

Ernest Gobert
Ken Harrelson
B.J. Higgins
Julian Hilliard
Carl Hirtzel
Greg Holland
Gary Houlette
Steve Kamm
Steve Kash
Linda Knox
Kim Kyker
Gail Malmstrom
Jay Malmstrom

John McMurray

Janet Mitchell
Charles Nunley
Raul Ramirez
Sherry Ray
Ron Scribner
Steve Shore
Max Simmons
Tad Thurston
Richard Trout
Mike Turegun
Sonya Williams
Changjiang Zhu
Cheryl Wolfe(mins)

GUESTS:

Jay Ramanjulu Ed Williams

INFORMATION ITEMS

Curriculum Committee Proposals discussed at Curriculum Committee meeting, 10/8/2009.

This year's faculty development plan is due September 21st.

Program Assessment Reports are due October 5th.

Fall Break: October 15th-18th.

Program Assessment Plans are due November 2nd.

DR. MEEK

Dr. Meek has resigned effective in December. Max reported we are dealing with the fallout of events. He thanked faculty for stepping in when needed.

MATH ASSESSMENT - GAIL MALMSTROM

Artifacts were collected and graded over the summer. What was received was not appropriate for what was needed. They received two from nursing, one from Chemistry and one from Physics. Did we know what the process was? Did they apply it? Was there an assessment? There is a need for faculty to help in turning in artifacts.

SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS STRATEGIC PLANNING GROUP

This is out of the InBre grant: Grant renewed for five years; \$10,000 for each college for strategic planning. The timing is good. The federal government gives money to us, but they tend to lead us with this money. This plan is a good way to get us where we want to go. It allows us to turn down plans we don't want and to do the things we do want. Max asked for volunteers to serve on this group.

NEW REPORTS FOR DEANS, DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS AND FULL-TIME FACULTY ON COURSE COMPLETION

We will receive this information this afternoon which includes success rates, high/low completion rates, etc... What do we do with this information? It will be used in the program assessments, performance evaluations and hiring adjuncts. Gary stated there are more students this semester who are not prepared. Bruce stated that last semester and this semester is completed different. Carl asked how these students do at the next level. We don't look at this, but we need to.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Faculty Association garage sale is Oct. 26th. All money goes to student scholarships. If you have donations, contact Tad Thurston. Please see him also if you would like to volunteer your time to help set up and pick up items.

Sonya stated the United Way campaign is under way. You will be getting donation cards in your boxes.

Janet reported the Curriculum Committee will be meeting on Thursday at 3:00 pm in the Library.

General Education Committee: Max wanted to know how many classes use Public Speaking? No math classes.

Biology Lab Advisory Committee: Ron asked members to let him know when a good time would be to meet.

Health Professions Club: Steve Kamm asked faculty to read information he puts in boxes to students.

H1N1 VIRUS

Oklahoma and Texas has the highest level of activity in the United States. Please let the office know if you are sick. Vaccine has arrived in Oklahoma yesterday.

OTHER

This is the first time we will be having Fall Break. It's purpose is to give students a chance to catch up. There will be no classes, but the school will be open. The labs will be open - faculty please tell students.

Walls around the whiteboards in classrooms are very dirty.

Meeting adjourned.