

Lassen Community College Child Development Program
Advisory Committee Minutes
February 5, 20014
3:00
Child and Family Services Bldg.



Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 3:08

Agenda Approval/ Additions and/or Deletions

No additions or deletions to the agenda

Update on on-line Courses

This year CD 31 Child Development, CD 15 Administration of ECE Programs and CD 16 Introduction to Curriculum were offered on-line. CD 19 Nutrition, Health and Safety, and CD 26 Administration II will continue to be offered on-line every other time they are offered. Last summer CD 22 was well received and intentions to expand offerings to once a year instead of every other year are being considered. This is due to the Early Head Start Program which has increased the demand for this class. Enrollment has been up in the on-line classes except CD 24 which should have been taught live. Betsy regretted this mistake and caught it too late. She stated she would be sure this did not happen again. Putting CD 15 & CD 16 on-line had been a concern because of the group work involved in the live class and how that would transfer to an on-line class. Betsy stated that students were able to make groups on-line for both classes through the use of the forum icon.

Core Classes:

The goal of the program to have all the core classes programmed to be taught on-line has been completed. The Total Model Curriculum Transfer Degree in early childhood education is now in place. Students now can either take a vocational path or a transfer path. The committee stated that this was great way to offer options to prospective students.

ECE/CAP

Betsy stated that the Early Childhood Education Curriculum Alignment Project is now working toward a new goal. This is to have three areas of interest available in all community colleges with matching outlines so all students state wide will receive the same education. These areas are administration, infant toddler and special needs. This will be the next goal of the Child Development program.

SB 837

Betsy explained the intent of Senate Bill 837. Questions were asked about what will be the education requirements to teach the transitional kindergarten (universal preschool) if the senate bill is passed. Betsy stated it was unclear, but that it looks like it would become part of the K-12 system. More questions were asked but there were no clear answers. Betsy said she will try to find out the answers and get back with everyone at the next advisory meeting.

Program Review

Betsy gave an update on the 2014 Child Development Program Review, shared recommendations and asked for input on other recommendations. The review is due in May.

Next Meeting will be scheduled when the results of the senate bill are tallied.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20.