

Math Issues Meeting

September 11, 2009

Tunxis Community College

Present: Kathy Bavelas (MCC-Retired), Joachim Bullacher (QVCC), Paul Edelen (MCC), Elaine Dinto (NVCC), Lori Fuller (TxCC-Retired), Miguel Garcia (GWCC), Pat Hirschy (ACC), Sal Maimone (NCCC), Sue Ricciuti (TxCC), Rachael Schettenhelm (GWCC), Kudzai Zvoma (QVCC)

- 1) Meeting called to order at 10:42 am
- 2) Minutes from May 8' 2009 approved Pat Hirschy and Sal Maimone 2nd with 2 abstentions, all other voted for acceptance of the minutes
- 3) Accuplacer
 - a. Logistics for SAT scores – system platform for placement scores, SAT scores entered by Placement Officer, Automatic download between Accuplacer and Banner or schools manually enter the scores. How do students learn about the placement processes? Who are the students – transfer bound or more traditional CC students? What is the effectiveness of the placement process (re: placement by SAT, Accuplacer, or come from the previous course)? (study being done by NVCC this fall) What percentage of students take ACT and do colleges have mechanisms in place for placement by ACT?
 - i. QVCC – students can use their SAT scores to bypass Accuplacer by filling out a form and providing a copy of their SAT scores. Director and Associate Director of Admissions enter the SAT scores into Banner.
 - ii. ACC – SAT scores listed on Banner
 - b. Are students being told that SATs are an option rather than taking Accuplacer?
 - c. Bridge/grid that relates Accuplacer and SAT – document is based on old SAT scores
- 4) Model Curriculum for Algebra One
 - a. Miguel generated a letter of support and for the Algebra One curriculum and sent it to CT Academy
- 5) What can Math Issues accomplish this year? (Priorities)
- 6) Homework:
 - a. Before the next meeting on 10/16/09 reread placement policy on AMATYC website (<http://www.amatyc.org/documents/Guidelines-Position/Placement.htm>) to see what can be done at each college this fall given current circumstances with early retirements and high enrollments.
 - b. Next meeting committee members take Accuplacer – take it with the intent of getting placed into Intermediate Algebra (M13X) to see where you get placed,
- 7) Committee Chair – Miguel nominated by Pat Hirschy and seconded by Elaine Dinto. Miguel is honored to take the Chair position again. Voted 100%
- 8) Calendar – October 16th at SCSU; November 20th at TxCC; December 11th at TxCC; February 19th at TxCC; March 12th at TxCC; April 30th at TxCC
- 9) Adjourned at 11:30 am.

Submitted by
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