A meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) was held on Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in the Academic Affairs (Patio) Conference Room (SSC 396) on the third floor of the Student Services Center, 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, California.

I. Call to Order – 3:12 p.m.

II. Members
Jennifer Merlic, Administration Representative, Chair
Sal Veas, Academic Senate Representative, Substitute Vice-Chair
Steven Sedky, Substitute Academic Senate Representative
Mike Tuitasi, Administration Representative
Chris Bonvenuto, Management Association Representative
Erica LeBlanc, Management Association Representative
Peter Morse, Faculty Association President
Tracey Ellis, Faculty Association Representative
Cindy Ordaz, CSEA Representative
Dee Upshaw, CSEA Representative

Others Present
Jason Beardsley*
Brenda Benson*
Jose Cue*
Matt Hotsinpiller
Hannah Lawler*
Kristin Lui-Martinez*
Laurie McQuay-Peninger
Elisa Meyer*
Dan Nannini*
Stacey Jones*

III. The minutes of the DPAC meetings on November 13, 2019 (regular meeting) and November 20, 2019 (special meeting) were unanimously approved.

IV. Reports - None

V. Superintendent/President’s Response to DPAC Recommendations, if any. - None

VI. Agenda

Public Comments – None

1. Development of Action Plans for 2020-2021
   - Human Resources Plan (*postponed to a future DPAC meeting*)
Starfish/SMC GPS (*Gateway to Persistence and Success*) Implementation Update: The SMC Starfish/SMC GPS Implementation Team (indicated with * above under “others present”) provided an update on implementation activities for SMC GPS. Focusing on an early alert system for math and English in Spring 2020. The presentation included:

- Brief Overview
- Implementation Dream Team
- LBCC Starfish Early Alert Video for Faculty
- The SMC GPS Student Experience
- Current Focus: Early Alert
- GPS Early Alert Components
- GPS: Behind the Scenes
- Testing and Training
- Action Plan for 2020-2021


**Student Care Teams:** SMC received a Title V-Hispanic Serving Institutions grant (*Navigating Pathways to Student Success*) for 2019-2024, that will fund $600,000 per year for five years. The focus of the grant is to hire a director to oversee components of the Student Care Team model that include Program Specialist (coaches) and the student peer navigator component. Each team will include a lead academic counselor, career counselor, financial aid representative, program specialist/coach (classified staff) and peer navigators (student mentors) for each of the Areas of Interest (AOI). The 2019-2020 Action Plan #4 was the implementation of the STEM Area of Interest (AoI) Student Care Teams.

Many changes have occurred during the fall 2019 semester that have required the Institutional Redesign Team to re-evaluate the structure of the Student Care Team model. Based on the Guided Pathways structure, the first-year experience model does not fit into the redesign framework. The offices of Admissions and Records, Counseling, Financial Aid and the Welcome Center will meet in the spring 2020 semester to redesign the onboarding process and designate counselors and staff to specific AOIs. The 2020-2021 Action Plan for Student Care Teams will be drafted to continue the implementation and will include the restructuring of components within Enrollment Development and Student Affairs to meet the Guided Pathway framework.

**IX. Adjournment – 5:15 p.m.**

Meeting schedule through June 2020 (second and fourth Wednesdays each month at 3 p.m.)

**2020**
January 8, 22
February 12, 26
March 11, 25
April 8, 22
May 13, 27
June 10, 24