

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/ FLEX CAL COMMITTEE MINUTES March 17, 2022 Zoom 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

1.	Call to order	M. Smith called the meeting to order at 2:32pm.
2.	Roll Call	Kristin Conner, Co-Chair Michelle Smith, Co-Chair Shanan Danley, CSEA Sarah McKinnon, Faculty Sheila Gorospe-Kaushal, CSEA Christina Taliaferro, Administrative Assistant Absent:
		Ingeborg Bourdon, Faculty Nick Cittadino, Faculty
3.	Agenda approval	Sheila Gorospe-Kaushal motioned to approve the March 17, 2022 agenda; Kristin Conner seconded the motion; motion carried.
4.	Approval of Minutes	Sheila Gorospe-Kaushal motioned to approve the March 3, 2022 minutes; Kristin Conner seconded the motion; motion carried.
5.	Comments from the Public	There were no comments from the public
6.	Professional Development	 Funding requests 6.1 A. Aubert – Approved The committee discussed making the rubric more visible to applicants.
7.	Action Items	There were no action items.
8.	Information/Discussion Items	 8.1 Introductions Committee members gave introductions to welcome new member, Shanan Danley. 8.2 Professional Development System 8.2.1 Questions? Suggestions? – M. Smith plans to hold an information session at the August required PD day which will benefit newly hired faculty members as well as people who have not been able to attend a session in the past.

M. Smith added a link on the website with instructions and a video how to sign up for a session. In addition, a link to the system was added.

M. Smith will re-post previously sent instructions and information about a variety of topics.

An idea for next year is to introduce a friendly competition to see who earns the most hours in the system.

8.3 Fall Professional Development

8.3.1 Speaker(s) – M. Smith reached out to Brian Beatty who wrote a book about HyFlex. In this model, participants can either be in the same location as the presenters or online. Dr. Beatty was already doing this before Covid. He is available on August 12th and M. Smith is meeting with him soon.

Other suggested speakers were Neil deGrasse Tyson, Dr. Ed Bush, and Hill Harper.

8.3.2 TimelyMD – Timely MD is an online mental health service that Solano is contracting with. They have a 24/7 service where a student can get in touch with a mental health professional before being directed to other immediate resources or set up with on-going therapy. This provides flexibility for students in addition to the option of regular therapy. As part of TimelyMD's kickoff, they are willing to lead a session to share information. Further discussion is needed to determine if these informational sessions should take place on the optional or the required PD day. It was suggested to also have reps come to division meetings to reach a larger audience.

8.3.3 Department Meetings – The question raised was if there should there be a 2-hour slot for department meetings on the Thursday PD day with no other conflicting sessions. The purpose would be to have time to work on things like program review or SLOs. Currently, Friday is the only required day. It was discussed that there may an interest and need to set aside time on Thursday for department, program, or interdisciplinary meetings. The plan is to integrate this into the schedule from 1:00-3:00pm on the Thursday PD day in August.

8.4 Faculty Concierge – The guest speakers were Brett Christie and Carrie O'Donnell from O'Donnell Learn, a full-service learning experience company that supports higher-education institutions. They are dedicated to humanized, inclusive and engaged learning. They explained the elements of their purposeful learning framework. Their research showed that there is not enough academic support staff to support all the faculty that need to change the way they deliver learning. They put together a

	design panel and used this to create their product. Their research also showed that faculty could benefit from support to be more efficient with the time spent preparing for their courses. One way that they could support faculty is by providing a just-in-time support through "Faculty Concierge". Faculty can reach out to the concierge with a question or problem and get an answer in real-time from an instructional designer. The solution might be a resource, template, and more. The platform could be customized to include existing Solano College professional development.
9. Announcements	9.1 Convocation Attendance!
	9.2 <u>HyFlex Course Design Workshop</u> – March 21-25, 2022
	9.3 <u>CCC Accessibility Office Hours</u> – Tuesdays from 1:00-2:00 PM in VRC
10. Adjournment	Kristin Conner motioned to adjourn the meeting; Sarah McKinnon seconded the motion; motion carried.
	M. Smith adjourned the meeting at 4:03pm.