

Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders  
California State University, Sacramento

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Date: January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 (make-up for fall cancellation due to wildfires)**

**Time: 5:00-6:30pm**

**Location: NSA Lab, MRLSHC**

**Attendees:** Heather Thompson, Allison Vine, Gloria Gonzalez, Darla Hagge, Laura Gaeta, Dayna Thomas, Robert Pieretti, Joshua Thomas, Holly Cook, Amy White, Jim McCartney, Julia Tanner, Tracy Stage, Shawn Cullen, Robert Ivory, Shawna Brown, Katie Lambert, Katy Francis, Melissa Bell, Aishah Patterson, Karen Oakley, Linda Fawx, Charles Sanders

Heather Thompson

- Introduced the agenda
- Introductions of attendees
- Approved the minutes from 2018
  - Motion to approve the minutes - Robert Pieretti, Second - Shawn Cullen
- Department Updates
  - Reviewed strategic plan
    - 6 Strategic Goals for Sacramento State
    - CSUS is working hard to continue to improve the benchmarks of these goals
    - Focus on fostering innovative teaching
    - Reviewed Department's 2018-2023 Strategic Goals
  - Strategic Goal #1
    - Encourage Innovative Teaching
      - Heather Thompson asked attendees what they think of this goal
      - Things CSAD has done to support this goal –
        - Hired two new faculty members
      - Offered twice annual conferences for department staff and faculty
      - Support faculty participation in College of Health and Human Services (CHHS)
      - Plan to convert current CSAD 199 into 10 or more specific CSAD electives
        - These cover multiple learning areas
        - Reviewed student experience with in-house conference presentations
  - Strategic Goal #2
    - Foster innovative teaching, scholarship, and research
  - Strategic goal #3
    - Enhance community partnership
  - Strategic goal #4

- Provide sequenced, integrated academic
- Robert Pieretti talked about adding classroom and lab space
- Department is adding audiology booths on the first floor of Folsom Hall
- Continuing to grow as a Department
- This semester in spring, with the exception of one, all classes are being held in Folsom Hall
- Questions about the goals:
  - Dayna Thomas made a comment about the well-being of our students
  - Robert Pieretti made comment about counseling class
  - Darla Hagge indicated self-care of students is very important
  - Robert Pieretti thanked everyone for their contributions
- Audiology updates
  - Laura Gaeta gave an update on approval of having the Doctorate of Audiology degree at Sacramento State
  - The Department was awarded “developing status” to accept students and hire faculty
  - Regional accreditor (WASC)
  - Right now, Department is working on the application through ASHA for dual accreditation
  - Hired new clinical director for August 2019
  - Robert Pieretti acknowledged Laura Gaeta’s accomplishments
  - Heather Thompson acknowledged our audiology faculty
- Other Department Updates
  - Laura Gaeta talked about aural rehab
    - CSAD 199: Offering a community based class to older adults
    - In the fall, first group with the Renaissance Society was held on campus
    - They are starting their next group January 25th, 2019
    - Offers pre-clinical experience to students
  - Language for Literacy Club
    - Robert Pieretti talked about two new clinical education options
    - These are experiences that all students receive
    - Gives students in assessment clinics more experience with groups
    - Dynamic assessment opportunity for literacy
      - 4 hours on Fridays
      - Clients come for Language 1 or 2 and work on areas such as: phonological awareness, decoding words, morphology, reading and fluency activities
      - Theme for room this year is “Pirates”
  - Heather Thompson asked for other faculty updates
  - NSSLHA and their involvement with ELI Conversation Club
    - SPMG has turned the English Language Institute (ELI) Programs into a 1-unit CSAD 199 this semester

- The class is for undergraduate students
  - Gloria and Allison shared their experiences regarding the ELI conversation club
- Breakout groups
  - Reviewed classes that the Department offers
  - Discussed the course content areas with students who have been volunteers, fellows, employees
- One comment from school SLP groups:
  - Positive comment on all of the classes the department is offering for students
  - Developed classes based on Advisory Board feedback for new class development
  - Comment from Darla Hagge that NSA was developed to offer more experience for students in working with adults
  - Now Sacramento State students are being hired for medical positions
- Worksheet is given to all members: what activities/volunteer experiences are available for undergraduate students?
- Discussion
  - Comments?
  - Worksheets collected
- Look to Advisory Board for cohort reports
  - School Reports
    - No concerns or topics
    - Clinicians should check their work when doing tests
  - Private Practice
    - No comments
  - Hospitals
    - No comments
  - Audiology
    - Cochlear implant idea
      - Need for aural rehab cochlear implants
      - Importance of expanding aural rehab
      - Midday clinic needed for the older population
  - NSSLHA Updates
    - Annual Conference
    - Toy Drive
    - Tailgate
    - Support Head Trauma Support Project (HTSP)
  - Alumni Updates
    - Still waiting on reactivation
    - Bylaws have been submitted
    - Will be attending NSSLHA Annual Conference
    - Goal is to have more activities for Alumni to participate in
  - Last Comments?
  - Meeting ended at 6:20 p.m.