

Equity Committee Minutes

3/24/2016

12:50PM-1:50PM

Attendees: Eddie Cervantes, Anne Ratto, Susan Sweeney, Esteban Talavera, Sohaila Faquiryan, Veronica Martinez, Karen Warren, Ryan Shook, Johanna Stewart

I. Loss of BOG

V. Martinez updated the committee that the loss of the Board of Governors (BOG) Tuition Waiver program for those students who don't meet the minimum academic and progress standards for the BOG Tuition Waiver will begin fall 2016 semester.

Data obtained in January 2016 showed that approximately 400 students are on probation/dismissal. These students have the option in submitting an appeal to Financial Aid

A. Five categories allow for the success of an appeal

1. Demonstrate significant academic success as of the previous semester
 2. On DRC and did not receive timely disability accommodations
 3. Extenuating circumstances
 4. Inability to obtain support services
 5. Special consideration to EOPS and Cal Works
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Looking for participation from categorical support to join Enrollment Appeal Subcommittee. Currently, the Counseling department is working on an Improvement Plan for students on probation and a petition for readmission for students on academic dismissal. One possible solution is to allow for the release of Equity Funds to help students who have lost their BOG only with strict accountability strings attached. It was suggested to look at what other community colleges are doing on this issue.

II. Outreach Event

Currently, there is a search of faculty members to attend and participate. The event will consist of the following: Providing a student panel, campus tour, \$15 t-shirt purchase at bookstore, and lunch with faculty.

III. Progress and stumbling blocks for Equity Plan

Moved to next meeting due to lack of time.