

# Los Rios Ethnic Studies Faculty Council-Minutes (approved 2/2/21)

Tuesday, January 19, 2021

11:30am-12:30pm

ConferZoom

## Agenda

### Preliminaries

- Call to order **11:33am**
- Welcome and Introductions (members present in bold)
  - Ricardo Caton**
  - Nym George**
  - Tamara (Tami) Cheshire**
  - Keith Heningburg**
  - Neue Leung**
  - Alex Peshkoff**
  - Victoire Chochezi**
  - Surangi Frazier**
  - Juana Esty**
  - Renee Medina**

Guests: Julie Oliver, Dan Crump, Rick Ramirez, Craig Davis, Walter Kawamoto, Lisa-Marie Mederos

- Approval of the Agenda
- Public Comment (3 minutes per person as time permits)

### Decision Items (15 minutes per item)

1. Determination and appointment of the Los Rios Ethnic Studies Faculty Council chair
  - Per the DAS approved membership and charge for the council one of the ethnic studies faculty members will be appointed to serve as the chair. [document below in supporting materials]
    - **Co-Chairs: Keith Heningburg SCC & Tamara Cheshire FLC**
    - **Logistical support: Surangi Frazier SCC**
2. Discussion and decision on which ETHNS courses are ready to move through the curricular process to request CSU Area F approval. (30+ minutes for this item)
  - Members of the council were asked at the end of fall semester to review the following courses against the CSU competencies to determine which courses meet at least 3 of the 5 competencies:

CRC ETHNS Courses	SCC ETHNS Courses
300	300
320	320
330	330
340	340
344	341
	350
	351

- **Council decided all CRC and SCC ETHNS courses will be submitted by articulation officers at CRC and SCC for CSU Area F approval.**
- Additional agreement that all the courses could be improved with more appropriate language and strengthening of CORs in regard to CSU competencies. These improvements will be a long term project. Any

notes people took on these courses should be shared with Alex Peshkoff CRC and Tami Cheshire FLC.

## Discussion Items (15 minutes per item)

1. Plans for future council meetings and future agenda items.
  - **Next meeting Tues Feb 2, 2021 2pm**
  - **Future Agenda Items:**
    - **Membership discussion regarding adding adjuncts to the council**
    - **Cross-listing information-presentation from Renee Medina**
    - **Review and strengthening of ETHNS courses (see decision item #2 above)**
    - **Dream of the future of ethnic studies in the district-what do we want for our students?**
    - **Determine college point people and recommend the formation of college ES groups to help with implementation locally**
      1. **point people: ARC ?, CRC Alex, FLC, Tami, SCC Surangi**

Adjournment 12:42pm

---

## Supporting Materials

### Agenda Decision Item #1

#### Los Rios CCD Ethnic Studies Faculty Council

##### Membership

- One from each college ethnic studies faculty or faculty who meet min quals/equivalency requirements (4)-one will act as chair
  - **ARC Ricardo Caton (History)**
  - **CRC Nym George (Sociology/ teaches Ethnic Studies)**
  - **FLC Tamara Cheshire (Anthropology/ taught Ethnic Studies)**
  - **SCC Keith Heningburg (History/ teaches Ethnic Studies)**
- One from each college related discipline faculty (4)
  - **ARC Neue Leung (English)**
  - **CRC Alex Peshkoff (History)**
  - **FLC Victoire Chochezi (Communication Studies/Equity Coordinator)**
  - **SCC Surangi Frazier (History)**
- One AO representative (1) **Juana Esty CRC AO/Counselor**
- One DCCC faculty rep (1) **Renee Medina SCC Curriculum Chair/Math**

##### Tasks/Goals

- Immediate
  - Evaluate existing CRC and SCC ETHNS approved courses against CSU Area F requirements
  - **BY FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2021**-Send forward through curriculum process any existing CRC and SCC ETHNS approved courses for CSU Area F approval
- Long-Term
  - Evaluate proposed cross-listed courses to meet the CSU requirements, meeting DCCC and local curriculum committee timeline requirements
  - Create proposals for the future of ethnic studies programs, degrees, and courses in the district
  - Consultative body for ethnic studies discipline input on equivalency decisions for hiring

### Agenda Decision Item #2

#### CSU Area F Competencies

1. Analyze and articulate concepts such as race and racism, racialization, ethnicity, equity, ethno-centrism, eurocentrism, white supremacy, self-determination, liberation, decolonization, sovereignty, imperialism, settler colonialism, and anti-racism as analyzed in any one or more of the following: Native American Studies, African American Studies, Asian American Studies, and Latina and Latino American Studies.

2. Apply theory and knowledge produced by Native American, African American, Asian American, and/or Latina and Latino American communities to describe the critical events, histories, cultures, intellectual traditions, contributions, lived-experiences

and social struggles of those groups with a particular emphasis on agency and group-affirmation.

3. Critically analyze the intersection of race and racism as they relate to class, gender, sexuality, religion, spirituality, national origin, immigration status, ability, tribal citizenship, sovereignty, language, and/or age in Native American, African American, Asian American, and/or Latina and Latino American communities.

4. Critically review how struggle, resistance, racial and social justice, solidarity, and liberation, as experienced and enacted by Native Americans, African Americans, Asian Americans and/or Latina and Latino Americans are relevant to current and structural issues such as communal, national, international, and transnational politics as, for example, in immigration, reparations, settler-colonialism, multiculturalism, language policies.

5. Describe and actively engage with anti-racist and anti-colonial issues and the practices and movements in Native American, African American, Asian American and/or Latina and Latino communities and a just and equitable society.