

# Los Rios Ethnic Studies Faculty Council

## Minutes

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Time: 10:30am-12:30pm

ConferZoom: <https://lrccd.zoom.us/j/92493717468>

### Preliminaries

- Call to Order – 10:38am
- Attendance – Council Members Present in Bold

**Mark Carnero, ARC**

**Walter Kawamoto, ARC**

Nyenbeku George, CRC

**Alex Peshkoff, CRC**

Winnie Hung, ARC

**Tami Cheshire, FLC**

**Victoire Chochezi, FLC**

**Keith Heningburg, SCC**

**Surangi Frazier, SCC**

**Robert Unzueta, SCC**

**Malika Hollinside, SCC**

Juana Esty, CRC AO Representative

- Approval of Agenda
  - Alex Peshkoff** - Motion, **Malika Hollinside** - Second; All approved
- Approval of Minutes
  - Tami Cheshire** - Motion, **Alex Peshkoff** - Second; All approved

**Consent to vote to meet online for the next thirty days. All approve**

Public Comments

**None**

## Announcements

- Robert Unzueta – Saint Mary’s College of California is interested in developing a pathway through Ethnic Studies with Los Rios colleges Ethnic Studies departments
- Walter Kawamoto – March 26, 2022 Cesar Chavez March. Walter is helping to organize this march.
- Mark Carnero – Various events happening for the Ethnic Studies Model Curriculum. They are also recruiting for members. Free Zoom events can be found here: <http://www.liberatedethnicstudies.org>
- Victoire Chochezi - Tuesday 2/1- Monday 2/28 Chalk up your driveways or make a poster with quotes that honor Black leaders in hxstory. Share your art with us via social media (@flcequitycenter) or e-mail (flc-equitycenter@losrios.edu)!

## Chair’s Report (Approximately 40 minutes)

- Will the Council continue as it is now in the future – fall? Next academic year?
  - Keith and Tami met with Julie Oliver about the future of the council. It’s up to the council what we want to do about next year.
  - Robert would like to continue with the district wide committee in order to coordinate across the district.
  - Alex indicated that he appreciates the collaboration that has happened across the district. We need to clarify what the council is for and what our role is. Each department has autonomy. It may be nice to also to invite Melissa Morena from Woodland Community College.
  - Surangi indicated that the non Ethnic Studies faculty should play a supportive role and step back from curriculum and program development.
  - Malika said she appreciates the collaboration of the group and she would like to see it continue.
  - Mark would like to see the group continue.
  - Walter indicated that there may be issues related to other disciplines. To help make things smooth and amicable, the group my be able to help with that.
  - Victoire indicated that it might be better to invite regional guests for specific agenda items. Other meetings could be local only. We could have different parts of the meeting for local groups and other section for guests to attend. Maybe the entire group doesn’t need to meet at every meeting.
  - Tami indicated that regional meetings every few months could be useful. We need to define what we want to be within the District as well. The District Academic Senate President will be changing hands. Julie Oliver will be replaced by the ARC Academic Senate President.
  - Keith said we could go back to our founding document to figure out our purpose under the District and discuss this again.
  - Having an official status within the District Academic Senate gives us more weight and access to leadership throughout the district.

- Curriculum Development – Work group Fridays this semester
  - Title change for 320, 330 and 340 and short title changes for 320, 330, 340 and 350 are in progress, please ask your curriculum committee for these to be consent items
  - SCC, CRC, FLC have submitted
  - ARC will submit soon. Mark will need to submit before the end of February. Tami will work with Mark to make the edits.
- Program Development – Work group Fridays this semester
  - Google drive collaborative doc
  - Keith mentioned that we could postpone this project until the end of the semester or even into the fall. We can set a goal to have it done by end of fall semester.
- Ethnic Studies Teaching Certificate – discussion are we interested in developing?
  - We should get as much information as we can this semester to work on it in the fall.
  - High Schools will be required to offer Ethnic Studies within the next 5 years.
  - Many schools in the region are already moving toward teaching Ethnic Studies in the middle and high school. However, there is no consistency.
  - We would have to develop relationships with the districts to create some standards, training, budgets and authority.
  - We could also develop an institute, which could result in a bump in pay.
  - Currently some districts pay professional development companies to conduct the training. There are other instances when faculty with no training also teach the courses.
  - We should also pay attention to textbooks and what is being adopted at the school districts.
  - It is possible to work on the program and the teaching credential at the same time.
  - San Francisco State has a teacher training program:  
<https://cel.sfsu.edu/ethnic-certificate/teacher-training>
  - San Diego State has a teacher training program:  
<https://aztlan.sdsu.edu/undergraduate/teaching-certificate>
  - Sacramento State has a teacher training program:  
<https://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/education/graduate-professional-studies-education/certificate-in-ethnic-studies/>
- Please be collecting data this semester – Enrollment, Drops, Withdrawals, Learning Outcomes – this data will be important to asking for new hires based on the demand for the classes as well as figure out scheduling for classes across the district
  - Collecting the data will help strengthen our program.
  - This data should be entered into the SLO report.
  - Data can also be used in self study for anyone going through the tenure process.

- Meeting dates/times for the Council

## Discussion Items (25 minutes)

Note: Items that the committee is unable to get to can be tabled until the next meeting.

### 1. Department Updates (10 minutes)

- ARC (Mark Carnero) – ARC Ethnic Studies council met and tried to bring in new people. Ricardo will be a resource but not an official member. We are looking for one more from AR to come to this group.
- CRC (Winnie Hung) - I've got 101 students in the 300 class and 23 in the 330.
- FLC (Tami Cheshire) – enrollment is about 30-35 students per class. 1 section of 300 will be offered in the summer.
- SCC (Keith Heningburg) – Currently offering 5 classes (300s) this semester. Keith is currently teaching an HSI course. One section will be offered in the summer ETHN 300. Fall will have 3-300s, 2-340s, 1-320. All online modality.

### 2. Ethnic Studies courses, programs, and degrees (Standing Agenda Item) (10 minutes)

- Updates on existing Ethnic Studies Curriculum & revisions
  - ETHNS 300, 320, 330, 340 & 350 check in
    - Be aware of the Curriculum deadlines with your Curriculum Committees –
      - New Spring Deadlines are in the google doc
    - If changes are requested by CSU Area F reviewers, we need to put them through our curriculum committees quickly to resubmit before June deadline. Work with curriculum committees to determine if this is possible.
    - Asian American Course will not be edited until we receive Area F feedback.
- Proposals for Ethnic Studies Programs, Certificates, Degrees
  - Submit Programs to Curriculum Committees Spring 2022/Fall 2022
  - The deadline is in June.

## Decision Items (Council Members Vote in Chat When Called to Vote)

Note: Decisions should be discussed at one meeting and voted on in a subsequent meeting. Decision items must be made public 72 hours before a vote can be made per Brown Act.

- None

## Future Items

- Requests for full-time positions in Ethnic Studies Fall 2022 -collect data Spring 2022
- Department reports - Ethnic Studies courses, programs, and degrees (Standing Agenda Item)
  - Ethnic Studies Department updates

- Update on existing Ethnic Studies Curriculum & **revisions (Area F approval)**
  - AB928 and AB111 changes
  - UC Ethnic Studies Transfer requirements
  - Ethnic/Multicultural Requirement Policy Change
- Media Project & Video update
  - Malika will incorporate footage from the new faculty.

Future Council Meeting Times 10:30-12:30

Future Council Meeting Dates:

Wednesday February 23

Wednesday March 9

Wednesday March 23

Wednesday April 6

Wednesday April 20

Wednesday May 4

Wednesday May 18 - if we need to meet – last day of the semester

**Adjournment:** 12:19pm