

Hospitality Studies/Culinary Arts/PROSTART Advisory Committee Meeting

DATE 9-9-2014

TIME 8:00 am

LOCATION GPA Dining Room, Student Center

Members present: David Garcia, the Input Network; Dennis Smith, Refrigeration Equipment; Jeffrey Davis, Pueblo Convention Center; Bill McAuliffe, Pueblo City Schools; Linda DeNiro, MPES; Christina Maes, St. Mary-Corwin Medical Center; Cindy Reyes, Cinfully Delicious; Jill Kidd, Pueblo City Schools Nutrition Services.

Institutional representatives: Marilyn Wagner, East High School; Nancy Cornell, Central High School; John Jakeman, PCC; Carol Himes, PCC; Barb Simms, PCC; Misty Dickerson, PCC Culinary Arts Student and Culinary Arts Club President; Jennifer Sherman, Dean of Business and Advanced Technology, PCC.

Recording Secretary: Susan Pelto



Agenda Item	Comments	Action
I. Informal Social Time & Breakfast		
II. Introductions & Confirmation of Members' information	Everyone introduced themselves.	
III. Approval of Agenda		The agenda was approved as distributed.
IV. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes	Dennis Smith moved and Jill Kidd seconded, to approve the minutes as read. The motion carried.	The minutes were approved as read.
V. PCC Welcomes	<p>Jenny Sherman welcomed the group and talked about the "year of the leader" theme at PCC. She discussed the fact that because enrollment is down, this does impact our funding. Part of the reason that enrollment is down is that employment is up.</p> <p>We are entering into an era of policy when there is more emphasis on completion and success and performance benchmarks rather than access, which has been the traditional focus of community colleges. We'll need to clarify the student's goal up front, whether it's a class, a certificate or a degree.</p>	
VI. Introduction of new PCC instructors	Carol Himes introduced/announced the new faculty and instructors. John Jakeman is now full time faculty after being Part Time Instructor of the Year last year.	

	<p>Others are Randy Antonow, Nathan Miller, and Sarah Hartman. All are doing well and we're excited about the quality of instruction they're delivering.</p>	
<p>VII. Program Updates: a. PCC</p>	<p><b>PCC:</b> Carol Himes reported.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In keeping with the Year of the Leader, the Culinary Arts Club has recently had elections. Misty Dickerson, President of the CUA Club, spoke about being a student and becoming president of the club, and how her confidence has grown.</li> <li>• At CUA Club meetings, we're having community and professional leaders speak to the students. Leroy Garcia, State Representative and faculty member spoke yesterday, and President Patty Erjavec will speak next month.</li> <li>• Carol Himes announced that the Assistant Director of Food Service here is also an instructor. The Director, Robbie Reyes, has been wonderful about his regard for our program. Sterling Ortiz, a graduate, is now running Pueblo Joe's. We have a great team in place.</li> <li>• Enrollment is down a little bit. We unfortunately did not have enough students for the advanced American Regional Cuisine class. However, we've added sections for Cost Controls and production.</li> <li>• This past Summer, a donor, Mary Jane Voelker, funded and led a study tour of the San Francisco area where she worked for about 30 years.</li> <li>• John Jakeman thanked the committee for their advice about job shadowing which his class did this summer. It worked well.</li> <li>• This past Saturday, the students prepared 4 different foods from 4 of the Sister Cities for their festival.</li> <li>• On September 20 &amp; 21 we will help with the Chile &amp; Frijoles Festival. We will help with the Chile and Salsa competitions. Those are run with ACF rules. Carol will show Cindy Reyes the judges' instructions.</li> <li>• She thanked the internships sites: Pueblo Chamber of Commerce, Ramona Torres, Walking Stick Golf Course, St. Mary-Corwin Medical Center, Bite Me Bakery, Legacy Commons, Grey's Coors Tavern, Coyote Grill, and the Convention Center.</li> </ul>	

<p>b. ProStart &amp; Catering</p>	<p>Central, Nancy Cornell reported: We have ProStart I &amp; ProStart II classes. The students are excited about starting a club. We hope to come to the GPA for lunch, and we hope to go to competition this year. We placed 7<sup>th</sup> last year.</p> <p>East, Marilyn Wagner reported: Catering has all the 10<sup>th</sup> graders, and ProStart has them for 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades. They are looking forward to competition.</p> <p>Jill Kidd commented that there are new USDA guidelines for what is sold to students in school.</p>	
<p>VIII. New Business:</p> <p>a. Draft of letter for students visiting industry sites for Sanitation class</p>	<p>Ms. Himes said that she is having difficulty getting businesses to allow students to observe for their Sanitation class. At the last meeting an introductory letter was suggested. Ms. Himes passed out a draft she has created and asked for comments. Dennis Smith suggested stating that the college takes the liability for the student, not the restaurant and to stress that these are future employees. It was also suggested that the letter stress that what is observed is totally confidential. Another suggestion was to point out that the activity Introduces students to new establishments. It was also suggested that the phrase “potentially hazardous foods” be removed. Another idea was to add a couple of brief testimonials from restaurants regarding the visit.</p>	
<p>IX. Other Business:</p> <p>a. Recruiting new members,</p>	<p>We’d like to designate someone from this committee to contact potential new members. Suggested potential new members are Lisa Enclade of Enclade’s, Todd Unwin, and Pat Hanna. Marilyn Wagner will contact the General Manager of Red Lobster. Jeff Davis will contact his convention sales team about hotel representatives.</p>	<p>Marilyn Wagner will contact the General Manager of Red Lobster.</p> <p>Jeff Davis will contact his convention sales team about hotel representatives.</p>
<p>X. Next Meeting:</p>	<p>January 27, 2015. Nancy Cornell will invite ProStart folks. Linda DeNiro suggested contacting the Colorado Restaurant Association for local members.</p>	
<p>XI. Adjournment</p>	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 am.</p>	

Submitted by Susan Pelto