2009-2010 PROF Center Report
November 2009 to November 2010
Position assumption November 2, 2009:
Rosemary Plank RN, PhD, CNE

MAJOR Activities, Faculty and Staff Participants, Comments:

November 10, 11:30 – 1:00
Brown Bag Lunch - Composition Competence Faculty Seminar
  o Dr. Deborah Skaggs, Ms. Kimberly Thomas; Ms. Shannon McBurnette-Arguelles

December 2009-January 2010:
  o Faculty Survey: (Results submitted to Executive Council, PROF Advisory Board)
  o January 2010: Lumina grant submitted
  o Purpose: Increase student persistence and graduation rates through comprehensive, collaborative, implemented and disseminated professional faculty development programs
  o Result identified in May 2009: General faculty development programs not funded at this time.

February 2010:
February 24th Tara Gray Publish and Flourish
  o Year one follow-up report notes three submitted articles and one publication. Continued small group meetings to discuss publication

March, 2010
March 6, 2010: 0900-1700 (9-5):
  o Faculty Presenting workshop: Dr. Amy Poland, (lead) Dr. Diana Linn; Dr. Rosemary Plank
  o The Best Practices in Course Preparation: Continuing the Discussion of Y. Bhadda: What is Effective Teaching?
  o March: work commenced on rewrite of Title V Second Year Experience (C. Hickey PI)
  o March: work commenced on PROF budget request. Request based upon 09-10 suggestions and updated information.
Budget Submission for PROF

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- Friday, March 26th BROWN BAG Lunch: 12-1PM
  - Publication Practices and Responsible Authorship; Presented by Dr. John Kilburn

April 2010

- Work commenced on writing of Strategic Plan for PROF Center
- Work continued on budget planning for PROF Center
- Work continued on Title V rewrite
- Faculty Expertise Survey: Need for faculty presentations to replace contract for service.
  - Posted through UConnect
  - Three responses

- Work began with Student Affairs and Police Department on Disruptive Students
  - Planning continued through reported year
May, 2010

- NEA grant identified for collaborative work. Submission date of June 2010. Work commenced with: NEA Grant submitted; results known in September 2010:
  
  - **Goal**: Incorporate pedagogical with technologic strategies into virtual course components at TAMIU for successful student learning and best practice teaching
  
  - Faculty involved: Dr. R. Plank, Dr. W. Bischoff, Dr. P. Abrego
  
  - Dr. Rena Palloff and Dr. Keith Pratt: Crossroad Consulting and authors of multiple texts in the Jossey-Bass Higher Education Series presented a full day workshop related to online pedagogy as part of Distance Education Week November 2010.
  
  - Ms. Betsy Price: Faculty Excellence Director University of Texas Brownsville invited to attend; Dr. Palloff and Dr. Pratt will present at UTB in Spring of 2011 as a result of this collaboration
  
  - No response from NEA, No response from TAMIU foundations with multiple requests. NEA contacted, unaware of submission.
  
  - Summer WIN
  
  - Sessions cancelled due to faculty time conflicts and teaching loads.

June (Eleven month contract, June not worked)

July 2010:

- Service Learning Committee: Established, first meeting scheduled August 10, 2010. , will meet second Friday of month beginning September 10, 2010
  
  - Members – past and current: Dr. Fran Bernat; Dr. Linda Brown; Ms. Lisa Flores; Ms. Conchita Hickey; Dr. Sandra Garrett; Dr. Jaclyn Jeffrey; Dr. Juan Lira; Dr. Rosemary Plank; Dr. Leonel Prieto; Dr. Andrus Rivas-Chavez; Dr. Miroslava Vargas; Dr. Carol Waters
    
    - Listed in alphabetical order. Many hours of time has been and is being spent by these faculty and staff to support the building of Service-Learning at TAMIU
  
  - Participation in Dr. R. Heredia Title V GREAT – Graduate Retention Enhancement at TAMIU

August 2010:

- August 19th/27th and 21st:
  
  - New and Adjunct Faculty Orientation: 7 hour (certificate), Presenters: Dr. Amy Poland (lead), Dr. Diana Linn. Dr. Juan Lira, Dr. Pat Abrego; Ms. Mayra Hernandez.

Budget announcements made. Total support for PROF Center is MNO of $9,000
September 2010:

- Second Service-Learning meeting held, elected Dr. Rosemary Plank Chair
- Focus on PROF website (tamiu.edu/profcenter)
- Adobe Contribute purchased and installed for web site development
  - Initial pages created by Dr. Rosemary Plank; Opened for viewing
- PROF representation on Leadership Initiative Planning Committee (C. Waters Chair)
  - Service-Learning to play a role in Leadership education
- AIER Report

October 2010

- 3 Faculty requests for SPSS-SASS-STATS workshops (statistical measures)
- Dr. Sears: Dean of the School of Business contacted for names of presenters. Referred Dr. Milton Mayfield
  - Dr. Milton Mayfield agreed to a two part quantitative (using “R”) workshop third and fourth Fridays in October, 2010.
- Dr. Juan Hinojosa contacted for clicker presentation.
- Mentoring discussion with Dr. B. Townsend, Dr. J. Lira. Dr. Lira running pilot in COE
- Initiation of Faculty Expert Series:
  - Dr. M. Mayfield: Statistical Decisions: Choosing and Implementing the Right Analysis
    - Friday, October 15th and 22nd, 2010
- Funding of Title V: Sophomore Success
- Funding of Title V: GREAT

Comments: Due to funding constraints in 2009-10 faculty development opportunities were limited.

I greatly appreciate Dr. Amy Poland, Dr. Diana Linn, Dr. Milton Mayfield, Dr. John Kilburn, and those others listed above for donating their time to create programs for faculty that were excellently rated and well attended. Dr. Linn and Dr. Poland presented multiple times during the year without any form of reimbursement. I truly thank these two professional educators for their time and energy.

Respectfully Submitted: Rosemary Plank RN, PhD, CNE
PROF Center Director
11-09-12-10