

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

SEPTEMBER 5, 2024, AT 9:00 AM, DON 202

### **MINUTES**

**Helena College Mission**: Helena College supports our diverse community by providing the paths and tools necessary to assist learners in achieving their educational and career goals.

**Professional Development Committee Mission**: The Helena College Professional Development Committee distributes allocated professional development funds in order to maximize individual professional development and educational/instructional benefit for the college.

## Professional Development Committee Objectives:

- 1. Improve campus-wide professional development
- 2. Enhance quality of education and help maintain currency of course curriculum
- 3. Allocate funds in a consistent, equitable manner

## Attendees

- ☑ Marika Adamek, Assistant Registrar
  ☑ Bill Hallinan, Computer Science Instructor
  ☑ Beau Howard, Accounting Associate IV
  ☑ Larry Taylor, Anatomy & Physiology Instructor
  ☑ Mary Twardos, Human Resources Generalist
  △ Development
  - 1. Membership & Leadership
    - a. Larry Taylor is new to the committee this year.
    - b. Jessie Pate will serve as chair for AY2425.
  - 2. Budget for year: \$30,000
    - a. AY2324 summary (see Files > Funding Spreadsheet > Running Approvals 23-24)
      - i. Ended with \$251 remaining by our records. UMDW shows we overspent, may be due to registrations for events occurring in AY2425
      - ii. <u>Decision: Going forward, we will include instructions to those receiving funds</u> <u>between April and June to indicate on their PO if they are pre-paying for anything</u> <u>related to training in the next FY.</u>
      - iii. Action: Beau will look into the best way to do this.
    - b. AY2425 (see Running Approvals 24-25)
      - i. \$5,000 for all campus, \$12,500 each semester
      - ii. \$10,177 allocated, \$2,333 remaining for fall 2024
      - iii. Action: Jessie will create an MMM/Teams announcement (posted 9/9) of available funds to campus, reminder that complete applications are reviewed in the order they are received.
  - Offerings for the year
    - a. Campus survey of requests or interest in presenting



- b. **Action:** Marika will put the survey together. Jessie will put together an announcement with this and other PD info to share in MMM and HC Main Team.
- c. NISOD Fall Virtual Conference (see file: NISOD Activity AY2324)
  - i. <u>Vote</u>: All members present voted to purchase institutional registration and promote to campus.
  - ii. Action: Jessie will complete institutional registration, and it will be announced to campus with instructions for signing up.

### Other business

- a. Would like to have clarification on what kind of PD should be paid out of departmental budgets and what can be covered by PD Committee.
  - i. Action: Jessie will talk to Sandy
- b. Concerns about employees possible applying for funding really far in advance hasn't happened, but should we have a guideline?
  - i. Decision: Consider trialing open dates for each semester
    - 1. Apps for spring (events occurring January 1 May 30) open 10/15
    - 2. Apps for summer/fall (events occurring June 1 December 30) open April 1
- c. Sharing out a summary of PD activities funded by committee
  - i. <u>Decision: Add a specific field to the application and instruct recipients to complete it</u> after they return. Consider asking if we can share a summary to Teams or in MMM
  - ii. Action: Jessie will update the application
- d. Other updates
  - i. Add a "Notes" section to the scoring rubric, to accompany each member's total score and decision to fund. This will automatically be populated in the totals tab.
  - ii. Action: Jessie will update the score sheet and upload the updated sheet to Vector and the website. Jessie will also update the committee members on the page.
- 5. Committee will schedule monthly meetings. Tentatively scheduled for the first Thursday of the month at 9:00 AM, but need to follow up with absent members.
  - a. Next meeting: October 3 at 9:00 AM.