



Basic Needs Committee (BNC)
Minutes
May 15, 2023

Committee Members							
x	Koji Uesugi, Co-Chair		Marisa Fierro	x	Sgt. Brian Owen	x	Carla Tablas
x	Pauline Swartz, Co-Chair (fac)		Renu Katoch	x	Karelyn Hoover	x	Lorena Cardozo
x	Christina Cammayo (fac)	x	Shelly Laddusaw	x	Julia Walker		Jeze Lopez (guest)
	Thuy Pham (fac)	x	Rosie Esparza		Diana Giannone (Community)		Bill Lambert (guest)
x	Rigo Estrada	x	Candie Marin	x	Leonardo Rojas (Student)	x	Vivian Hernandez
x	Barbara Carrillo	x	Ken McAlpin		Sebastian Rock (Student)		

I. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement (3 min)

We will begin this meeting with a Land Acknowledgement to recognize the native peoples whose land upon which Mt. SAC resides.

Mt. SAC is geographically situated on the traditional lands of the Tongva peoples. I ask you to join me in acknowledging their community, their elders both past and present, as well as future generations. May we honor the land and the people who have stewarded it throughout the generations. Thank you.

II. Review and Approval of Minutes for April 17, 2023 (5 min)

III. Updates (30 minutes)

- Basic Needs Resources (Rigo): Staff retreat was a success, navigators and staff benefited from the retreat. Koji reported that once the Student Life Office moves to the new Student Center Building, Basic Needs will move into 9C along with International Students. 9C stage will not be occupied but the rest of the space will be occupied by Basic Needs and International Students. Koji provided other future construction projects, remodeling and building updates.
 1. CalFresh Outreach (regular updates – Rigo/Vivian): signing contract renewal for 2025-2027. Application numbers are low, May is CalFresh awareness month. 40 applications for the month of April. Currently for May there are 8 applications. May 17th, collaboration with REACH and San Bernardino County workers will be on campus in bldg. 77 from 10 am – 3 pm personalized assistance for Reach students. On May 2nd Basic Needs had a cooking demo at Kerr’s corner, food pantry and CalFresh promotion, had about 40 students visited the booth. Next event will be on May 31 at Kerr’s Corner, they will be making guacamole.
 2. Mountie Fresh Food Pantry and Snack Rack (Rigo): Lines have reduced due to the timers. Pushing food pantry outreach. Average of 10 students per 5 minutes, now seeing double the students. For April 840 new students and 1,140 duplicate students visited the pantry. Food vouchers will be distributed during the summer. On June 12th students can apply for a \$25 Stater Bros. food voucher.
 3. Housing (Rigo): There are 2 openings in the housing program. Jovenes has a partnership with Cal Poly Pomona. A DHH students was able to be housed.
 4. Case management (Rigo): hired 2 case managers, they have adjusted really well. The professional case management component has now been integrated into the BWT hub.

IV. Discussion (40 min)

- Recap presentation of basic needs program plan and budget for 2022-2023: Rigo provided an overview of the budget. Reviewed the program plan and goals.

- Review membership for next year: people have been reappointed, Sgt. Owen, Rosie, will be continuing. Julia will be stepping down. Julia Walker was thanked for her participation and work with BNC. Kenn McAlpin will be stepping down, Ken Bohan will be his replacement. Diana Giannone will be stepping down, Koji shared that we need to find a new community member to replace Diana. Shelly suggested having someone from AJCC, God's Pantry, SPA 3, or San Gabriel Valley Consortium. Koji also reached out to Foundation for recommendations.
- Finalize BNC goals and identify outcomes: Pauline shared the goals and committee report.

V. Good of the Order (2 min)

- The Faculty Flex Day and the Classified Professional Development Day Call for Proposals. Due May 21st.
- Carla, Shelly, Pauline, Karelyn will serve over the summer to assist with COVID block grant.

VI. Next Meeting

- September 18, 2023

VII. Adjourn