South Seattle Community College  
Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting  

Friday February 8, 2002  
2:00 - 3:30 pm  

Members Present: Tom Pierce, (Chair) Mike Steffancin (Vice Chair) Joan Stover, Bob Dela Cruz, Dolores Mirabella, Judy Gray, Sabra Schneider, Teri Eguchi, Diane Schmidt,  

Ex-Officio Members: Dr. Jill Wakefield, Frank Post, Malcolm Grothe  

Staff: Karen Whitney  

1. Tom Pierce called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm. A quorum was present  


3. Workshop on Critical Thinking - Dolores Mirabella. Dolores reported on the Critical Thinking Workshop she and Tom Pierce attended in Levenworth Washington. What was presented was basically an evaluation model in order to assess Critical Thinking. The workshop was put on by Washington State University. Dolores gave a handout. Dolores and Tom were both impressed by the presentation. The evaluation model identifies 7 "areas" that are considered to involve Critical Thinking. It was suggested that a faculty development presentation be held concerning the information presented.  

4. Taskforce Reports  
   - Critical Thinking Taskforce  
     The Critical Thinking Taskforce is considering a pilot project to do some critical thinking testing. These will be done in Sandy Bolts Testing Department. The taskforce is going to review the program reviews to see how critical thinking is addressed in various programs.  

   - CLEP Test Taskforce - Mike Steffician reported on the CLEP - The committee agreed that this is a good exam and copies of the test will be distributed to faculty chairs for review and input. The CLEP Taskforce agreed that the college should accept this exam to meet various entrance requirements for programs or classes. It is hoped to have a policy in place by the end of Spring quarter. Mike agreed that this is a fairly comprehensive test.  

   - Student Support Services Taskforce – Sabra Schneider - No Report  

5. Subcommittee Reports  
   a. Course/Program Review - Allen Stowers - Fall Quarter - No Report
b. Course/Program Revision - Sabra Schneider
Sabra Schneider discussed the program revision submitted by the Heavy Duty Diesel program. The Heavy Duty Diesel Program Certificate is being reduced by 93 credits to 56 credits. Sabra Schneider commented on how well done the paperwork was submitted. She announced that the subcommittee recommended that the CIC approve this paperwork. Tom made a motion that program revision be approved. Motion seconded. Motion Passed. Heavy Duty Diesel Program Revision was approved.

c. Course/Program Origination - Joan Stover – No Report

6. New Course Origination Forms - Tom Pierce

Tom handed out a copy of both the new and old New Course Origination forms. Joan Stover reported that the old form was not working well. Therefore the form was revised. Joan explained the changes to the committee. The committee discussed the form. Some additional changes were suggested. Tom made a motion to accept the form. Motion seconded, motion passed.

7. Joan Stover – Student E-Mail.

Joan distributed a copy of some e-mail correspondence concerning Distance Education. This has been referred to the CIC Student Services Taskforce.

8. Next Meeting - February 15, 2002 at 2:00 pm in LIB 215.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm. pm.