# Textbook Affordability Subcommittee Report for ASGC Meeting of 8 February 2021

#### **Update on Subcommittee Membership**

- Thank you for approving our Science and Technology Division rep (Ramki Kalyanaraman) and ASLT Division rep (Valeria Estrada).
- As of the date of the report, we are still seeking division reps from:
  - Humanities and Social Sciences
  - o Business, Design, and Workforce
  - Counseling
  - o KAD

#### Promise Scholar Program/OER Federal Grant Project

- SPARC reports that Congress has approved funding another round of this project. For more information and ways that you can help, please go to <a href="SPARC">SPARC's site</a>.
- SMCCCD will be applying for this when it opens up for applications, still including our Promise programs and infusing OER-based curriculum.

#### WebSchedule Descriptors/Updates

- Spring 2021 has a healthy number of OER/ZTC-based courses, and students are filling those courses.
- If you are using OER materials, make sure that you notify your division assistant (to get the ZTC label on WebSchedule) and Jai Kumar (in case students ask for a print version of the text).
- If you're looking for OER:
  - Contact Sarah Harmon (harmons@smccd.edu)
  - Check out the TAS OER Spreadsheet
  - Check out Skyline's <u>OER Courses List</u> to see what our colleagues are using (and all have been verified for accessibility)

### Upcoming OER Week (1-5 March)

 National OER Week has various activities planned—and our district OER leaders (Ame Maloney and Bianca Rowden-Quince at Skyline; Chris Smith and Lee at CSM, plus Diana Tedone-Goldstone and Sarah Harmon for Cañada) are working on some ideas. More info coming soon!

## Meetings and Newsletters

- Next newsletter will be February/March.
- Next meeting is 23 January, 11am-12noon. See Sarah for the Zoom link.
  - o OER-Week and Flex Day activity planning, both local- and district-wide
  - Update student survey and faculty survey questions—tie into the PRIE student survey in Fall 2020