**Humanities and Social Sciences Division**

**Minutes**

Friday, November 5, 2021

12:40 pm to 2:35 pm

Zoom Meeting:  
<https://smccd.zoom.us/j/84082527152?pwd=R1JpenZGeEVjUHdrUFRjY1kyRExXUT09&from=addon>

**Welcome**

**Overview of Agenda-**James welcomes everyone and mentioned that division reporting and updates will be at the end of the meeting so we are sure to accommodate our guests and our two central topics about our division agreements and the let’s talk about teaching segments.

**Division Information**

Library Update: College Librarians, Diana Tedone and Valeria Estrada – Diana and Valeria updated the division on all the services and resources that are available. Please don’t hesitate to contact either one for any needs you may have for yourself or for your students.

**Division Business**

SMCCCD and Cañada College Commitment to Equity and Antiracism

* District Antiracism Task Force and Resources

<https://smccd.edu/antiracismcouncil/about.php>

James shared the current District information from the anti-racism taskforce and all the resources. The division read through some of them as a group.

* Cañada College Antiracism Task Force (Proposal Adopted, Planning and Budget Council, April 2021)

<https://canadacollege.edu/planningbudgetingcouncil/2021/FULL%20PBC%20PROPOSAL%20-%20Canada%20College%20Antiracism%20Taskforce%204-21-2021.pdf>

Lezlee Ware shared about the Canada anti-racism work and the important of the work that is happening district wide.

Division Agreements (including Chat monitoring)- James shared that the division agreements is our priority and we want to model this when we move into the segment about talking about grading. Regarding of how we use the “chat” feature on Zoom going forward, James asked that we be mindful of how it is used so it doesn’t become a distraction. James acknowledged the hurt caused at our last meeting and perhaps lingering frustration or anxiety. He also wanted to thank those who reached out to provide helpful suggestions and even shared materials as we practice ways to work together effectively.

* Washington Race Equity & Justice Initiative (REJI)

<https://justleadwa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Tool-D-Community-Agreements.pdf>

* “Community Agreements” Poll- People shared the ones that resonated with them. James will share results at another meeting.
* R.A.V.E.N Approach for Addressing Microaggressions (see attached)

**Let’s Talk about Teaching!: Grading/Assessment**

<https://forms.gle/4bmD9W2riZ1jbTga8>

Alison Field and Elizabeth Terzakis volunteered to monitor the chat and cohost the meeting and in addition to facilitate the discussion about teaching in the breakout rooms. They might chime in, supplement or contribute as we move through the agenda. Joan volunteered to monitor the time.

After some introductory remarks by Elizabeth and Alison some other faculty offered their thoughts and ideas.

Reference:

*Recovery with Equity: A Roadmap for Higher Education After the Pandemic* <https://canadacollege.edu/emp/Recovery-with-Equity_2021Feb15.pdf>

**Division Reports and Updates, Google Doc Link:** <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1d5mKJSECncn7OPeZLzRftka_anvYK3k7DNPvdR5zOz0/edit?usp=sharing>

Due to the lack of time it was agreed to do the rest of the committee reports via google doc.

**Fall 2021 Division Meetings, Zoom, TBA:**

*Division meetings are regularly scheduled for the* ***first Friday*** *of the month. Full-time faculty are to attend all meetings. Part-time faculty, attendance is appreciated but not required.*

1. Next Meeting Friday, December 3