

Diet Programs Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: Friday, October 25th, 2024

Time: 12 to 1 pm

Place: 4061 Race Hall and Zoom

List The Members in Attendance: Hannah Bennett, Vicky Detlefsen, Brian Dufour, Joan Frank, Renee McKenna

List The Members Attending as Proxy: None

List The Members Absent: Carlos Murcia, Cathy Sandoval, Linda Sequeira, Merwyn Welch

List The Faculty, Staff and Administrators in Attendance: Jill Harrison, Mari Morris, James Sweeney, Jill Tarver, Heidi Weil

List The Invited Guests: Heather Casale

Was there a quorum Yes No

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 12:07 pm.

2. **Welcome/Introductions**

3. **Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting** – M/S/P to approve as submitted.

4. **Announcements:** Vicky Detlefsen announced that there are a lot of positive changes in the kitchen at Friends House. Joan Frank stated that dietetic internships are no longer using a match system for placing interns into internship programs. UC Davis is the only stand-alone dietetic internship program left in the UC system. If students wish to transfer to UC Davis, Joan Frank stated that they can contact her for more information. Brian Dufour announced there is an overhaul of menus at Petaluma City Schools. He will have 3 SRJC diet tech interns in the Spring 2025 semester. Heidi announced she is getting her textbook published.

5. **Public Comments:** None.

6. **Unfinished Business:** None.

a. Discussion Items: None.

7. **New Business/Discussion:** Jill Tarver discussed the closing of the diet tech program after Spring semester 2025. The teach-out plan for students to graduate from Merritt College after Spring semester 2025 was also discussed. Jill Harrison discussed the plan for marketing the CDM program at foodservice locations. SRJC is also keeping the nutrition transfer program.

8. **Updates:**

a. Industry Updates: None.

b. Department/Program updates: Jill Tarver announced the new Cultural Foods class Heather Gilardi and Mari Morris are working to develop. Nutrition for Positive Mental Health is another class to be developed. Maybe Lifespan Nutrition and other nutrition classes will be developed in the future. Joan Frank discussed nutrition classes meeting General Education, Area E. Jill Harrison and Jill Tarver are working with other departments at SRJC to discuss this topic and classes that meet the General Education: Area 8: Student Success and Wellness.

9. **Action Items:** Jill Harrison has been working on marketing the CDM program. All classes for the program are online. Students complete 150 hands-on hours in the field. Heidi Weil commented on the University of North Dakota's CDM program not being a program she would recommend to students; she took classes there to check out their program.

10. **Next Steps/Comments/Wrap Up:** This was the final diet tech advisory committee meeting for SRJC.

11. **Adjournment:** 1:00 pm.