



Friday, April 11, 2008

Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant.

-Robert Louis Stevenson

Where the Action Is

- Academic Senate
Fri, 4/18 1:00-3:00 Board Rm.
- Academic Standards and Policies
Fri, 4/25 3:00-5:00 LRC 107
- Acad. of the Redwoods Advisory
Fri, 4/25 1:00-3:00 LRC107
- Accreditation Steering Comm.
Wed, 4/16 3:30-5:00 Board Rm.
- Assessment Team
Fri, 4/25 1:00-3:00 Lakeview
- Board of Trustees
Tues, 5/6 3:00-5:00 Board Rm.
- Coordinated Planning Council
Fri, 4/18 9:00-11:30 Lakeview
- Curriculum Committee
Fri, 4/25 1:00-3:00 Board Rm.
- Facilities Committee
Fri, April 11 Time/Location TBA
- Institutional Effectiveness
Wed, 4/16 12:00-1:00 Board Rm.
- Multicultural and Diversity
Fri, 4/18 11:30-1:00 LRC 107
- Program Review Committee
Fri, 4/18 9:00-11:00 Board Room
- Technology Advisory Group
Thurs, 4/17 8:30-9:30 Board Rm.

FPC & FMDT (or just what the heck is going on with facilities at CR?)

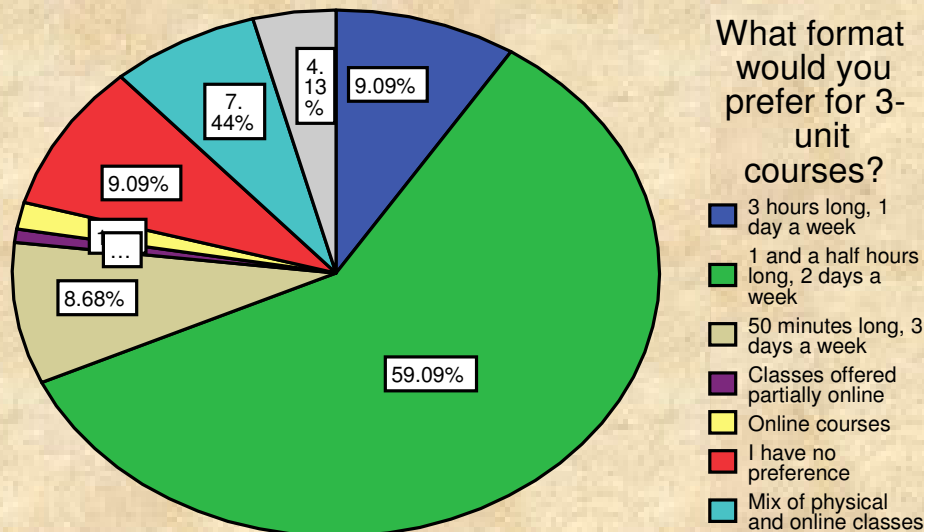
There's a lot of facilities-related action at CR these days. The **Facilities Planning Committee (FPC)**, a large, standing functional group of facilities experts and representative faculty and staff, has been working to review and comment on action plans, to initiate appropriate responses to action plans, and to advise the Coordinated Planning Council on long-term facilities planning. The FPC has also developed the **Facilities Planning Handbook**, a document that outlines ongoing FPC responsibilities and that explains the committee's mission, vision, function, & membership.

At the same time the FPC is performing this important work, the **Facilities Master Planning Development Team (FMDT)**, a smaller but broadly-representative ad hoc team, has been convened and charged with developing a draft facilities master plan and a planning framework that can be refined and implemented by the FPC. The FMDT is working with consultants from Datatel's Center for Institutional Effectiveness to develop the master plan draft, and after turning this draft over the FPC, members of the Development Team will serve as advisors to the FPC to institutionalize the facilities planning process. These two facilities groups working together allow CR to efficiently and effectively develop a high-quality facilities master plan while continuing important facilities planning work.

Data Watch

From the Spring 2007 Student Schedule Survey

3-unit courses day and length preference



Did you know...

◆ With CR's support, **Associate Professor of English Sean Herrera-Thomas** is presenting his work on Izaak Walton's *Compleat Angler* (1653) at a conference held at the oldest public library in the English-speaking world, Chetham's Library in England. Sean's work argues that angling (i.e. fishing) and writing about it provided a vehicle for the cultivation of an idealized, male-centered community of individuals with royalist sympathies. Before the conference, Sean will get to examine the library's holdings of 16th-18th century books on angling.

◆ Also with CR's support, **Associate Professor of Art Dave Zdrazil** will be presenting a lecture at the Sturt WoodFire 2008, an international ceramics wood-firing conference at Sturt Craft and Design Center in Mittagong, Australia. Dave will discuss his research involving wood-firing with clays he's found in several states for a number of years that have allowed him to create unique and completely natural colors and surfaces. At the conference, Dave will exhibit his work that has been fired in CR's newly-created wood kiln.

You need to know...

◆ Twenty-one **action plans** that address the goals and objectives outlined in CR's strategic plan have been submitted. On March 14, five action plans that had been reviewed by the Institutional Effectiveness Committee were presented by the submitters to the Coordinated Planning Committee (CPC), and an additional six plans were presented to the CPC on March 28. The remainder will be presented on April 11, and the CPC is expected to make support/funding decisions at its April 25th meeting. Don't forget that you can access action plan forms and instructions, read all action plans under review, and read approved action plan progress reports by visiting CR's strategic planning website at http://inside.redwoods.edu/StrategicPlanning/_ActionPlanning.asp



Point and Click: Websites Worth Visiting

CR Center for Teaching Excellence (links to everything from faculty handbooks to grading programs to information on photocopying and scantrons) <http://www.redwoods.edu/cte/>

CR Disability News (links to past and current Disability Weekly Newsletters) http://www.redwoods.edu/_artman/publish/c at_index_26.asp

CR Sports News (links to past and current articles on CR athletics) http://www.redwoods.edu/_artman/publish/c at_index_5.asp



↔ **Lynn Lozier-Hannon & Paul DeMark, Printing Services**, who worked under extraordinarily pressing deadlines and created beautiful graphic displays that highlighted important accreditation progress for the ACCJC site visit.↔

↔ **Crislyn Parker, VP Admin Assistant**, who worked tirelessly to create and organize 11 enormous accreditation evidence binders for the ACCJC site visit.↔

↔ **To Michael Thomas, HumComm Division Chair**, who brought the Humanities Office vacuum cleaner to the Board Room so the room would be spic and span for the ACCJC team.↔

↔ **To everyone** who participated in accreditation interviews on April 4 and helped make clear to the ACCJC visiting team that the entire CR community remains engaged in continuous quality improvement and is steadfastly committed to excellence.↔

↔ **To the CR Board of Trustees**, who recognized CR's need for accreditation-related training and invited **ACCJC President Barbara Beno** to present at the April 2008 board retreat in Fort Bragg.↔

Have an item or idea you'd like to see included in the next Linkages?
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