

## **SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**DATE: April 7, 2011 4:30-5:30pm**

**Members: Judge Boyer, Rosa Rodriguez, Jack Humburg**

**SPC: Beth Carlson, Frona Elkes, Sammie Elser, Marika Robinson, Martha Campbell, Matt Bowen, Cynthia Bedient, Gary Graham, Lara Holmes, Stephanie Wyatt , Mike Henry**

**Absent: Aaron Orange, Dawnmarie Caggiano, Mary Ann Ziegler, Charon Aurand, John Baylock, Noel Cherasaro, Judy Jaeger, Kathryn Jackson, Jodi Pesick, Linda Roberts**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion/Recommendations</b>	<b>Action</b>
Jack Humburg Welcome/Introductions Approval of minutes	Introductions were made. Minutes of September 16, 2010 meeting were approved.	
Viability Report	Matt reviewed the content of the Viability Report. He discussed exploring dual enrollment in high school classes: we will offer classes at Gibbs High School after the school day has ended with ASL I in the fall and ASL II in the spring. The number of ASL 1140C and 1150C sections has increased due to enrollment growth. Next, Matt mentioned exploring the creation of a Bachelor's Degree program, and Marika spoke about the progress of research into creating a program.	After each session, data for this report will be published and reviewed.
VRS Content in Interpreting Courses	Frona Elkes attended the Curriculum Development Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah, in October in order to learn more about developing curriculum for classes training students for VRS interpreting.	
Helen & Mildred Goldman Sign Language Interpreter Scholarship	Four students were selected/awarded money for the spring semester.	Four more students will be selected for a scholarship for the summer term.

American Sign Language Honor Society	The ASL Silent Titans showed the movie Universal Signs to 100 people per night for 2 nights during the spring semester. The club will show the film again two times during the fall and spring semesters and one time during the summer. The club is also discussing other activities as well.	Students will be invited into the Honor Society based on academic requirements. The selection process will be handled by Beth and Lara looking through current students' transcripts.
End of Year Mentor Appreciation Celebration	There are only 2 mentors available for 5 students this semester. The other 3 students meet the requirements for their internship through a new virtual interpreting lab. Anonymous interpreters grade all of the coursework. Also discussed was what other schools are doing about finding mentors for internship programs.	
Enrollment within the SLIP Program	Enrollment has increased by 15% from last spring. 85% of the seats for SLIP classes for the summer have already been filled. In the fall semester, as many ASL I sections will be offered as Spanish I sections.	
Monitoring Visit	The Florida Department of Education sent a Perkins Grant monitoring team to audit the various AS programs. The monitors talked to various faculty and students. We received an A+	
New Staff	We have hired Howard Brody as an ASL Lab Assistant for the Tarpon Springs campus.	
Lab Upgrades	The department has purchased new computers for LA 108 and LA 109 and the SP/G lab. Also purchased were webcams for the DT, SP/G and CL labs.	
Sammie's Retirement	A number of people shared thoughts about Sammie. Sammie's dedication to students and the program were talked about, along with her giving so much to her profession.	
Next Meeting Date	TBA	Email reminder will be sent.