President's Faculty Ambassador Program

Purpose

- Enrich the experience of the college for prospective students and their families.

- Enhance the specifically academic content of prospective students' interaction with the college.

- Set the stage for strong student/faculty engagement once students enroll, which is known to support retention.

- Strengthen ties between faculty and Student Affairs.

Selection

- A Selection Committee will be appointed by the Provost. It will consist of: three faculty members who are known for engagement with students, one professional staff member from Admissions, one professional staff member from Advising, one person from the Provost's office, and two experienced Student Ambassadors. Faculty members will be appointed by the Provost upon the nomination of the President of the Faculty Senate. Staff and student members will be appointed by the Provost upon the nomination of the Dean of Enrollment Management.

- The Selection Committee will establish criteria, solicit applications, interview candidates and select the Ambassadors.

- In selecting Ambassadors, the Committee shall seek diversity across Schools, programs, longevity at the college, and consider candidates' enthusiasm and demonstrated commitment to Stockton's mission and culture.

Responsibilities of Ambassadors

Ambassadors will spend approximately 35 hours a year fulfilling the Ambassador-related activities. These may be fulfilled though some combination of the following activities which are estimated to require approximately 35 hours:

- Attend an annual one-day training workshop.

- Participate in at least four regular Admissions events such as open houses, instant decision days, or off-campus receptions each year. Off-campus receptions will be scheduled upon mutual agreement of the faculty and Admissions Office.

- Specify those non-event days each semester when they are "free and available" to meet with prospective students and their families who are visiting Stockton. On "free and available days" Ambassadors may be called upon to meet with prospective students and families to

discuss Stockton and its opportunities or to respond to questions after a campus tour. Where it can be scheduled in advance and can be done without disruption, Ambassadors will allow visitors to sit in on a class.

- Biannually, provide content for a personal "Ask me about Stockton" web page.

- Interact by email or telephone with prospective students who have already shown interest, by answering questions about areas within the Ambassador's knowledge and/or referring prospective students to other faculty as appropriate.

Term

- Faculty Ambassadors will serve staggered two-year terms.

- If after the first year of service, either the Dean of Enrollment Management or an Ambassador is not satisfied with the Ambassador's service, the two shall meet to see if differences can be reconciled. If not, the Ambassador's service will end after the first year.

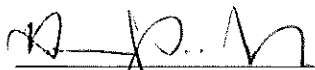- Ambassadors can re-apply; there are no "term limits."

Compensation

- 1 TCH stipend each semester for the two year term. Ambassadors may elect to receive the stipend as course release or overload pay. In the event that the Ambassador's dean believes that a proposed course release will cause a hardship for the Ambassador's program, the two will meet to seek a solution.

- In the event that an Ambassador's service ends before s/he has earned a course release already taken, adjustments will be made to assure that s/he is not over-compensated for the service s/he provided.

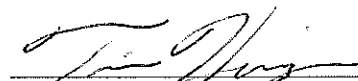- Ambassadors will be reimbursed for travel to off-campus events.

Sunset Clause: This agreement will be reviewed to ascertain its effectiveness in no fewer than two nor more than three years after it begins.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the College and the Stockton Federation of Teachers have caused this Memorandum of Agreement to be executed this _5ᵗʰ_ day of _April_, 2010.

For Richard Stockton College   For the Stockton Federation of Teachers

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Herman U Saatkamp, President   Tim Haresign, President