

**CLUSTER AGENDA**  
**October 15th, 2014**  
**1:30pm – 2:30**  
**Lake Worth Campus**

---

**ITEM 1. Anthropology General Education Assessment**

Discussion: The General Education assessment created for Anthropology was presented to the cluster. The cluster members in attendance approved the General Education Assessment for Anthropology. The assessment will be forward to Helen Shub.

Data/data source: N/A

Action: N/A

**ITEM 2. Textbooks**

Discussion: Professor Dorothy Block and Professor Janelle Christensen inquired about the process for changing the textbook required for Anthropology. The cluster explained that textbooks are typically selected by the cluster. Professor Dorothy Block suggested considering the newer edition to the Anthropology textbook currently being used. The cluster chair will coordinate having the textbook publishers send out the textbooks currently being used for Anthropology to each cluster member for review. Dr. Asif Raza inquired about the textbook being used for Social Problems. Each campus seems to be using a different textbook. The cluster chair will coordinate having the textbook publishers send out the textbooks currently being used for Social Problems to each cluster member for review. Professor Lystra Seenath asked the cluster for feedback on the Openstax textbook currently being used for Sociology. Dr. Emmanuel Alvarado stated that he was able to obtain a set of better quality powerpoints from the publishers. Professor Heather Naylor agreed that the powerpoints were of better quality. Both Dr. Emmanuel Alvarado and Professor Heather Naylor stated that they have received very good support from Openstax. It was also noted that students seem to be purchasing a hard copy of the textbook although they could obtain a soft copy of the textbook for free. The feedback on the textbook has been positive.

Data/data source: N/A

Action: N/A

**OTHER.** Professor Dorothy Block and Professor Janelle Christensen presented the idea of adding a second Anthropology course to the curriculum. Professor Dorothy Block and Professor Janelle Christensen have done some research which suggests most Universities would like to see students transfer with two Anthropology courses. There was some discussion as to the need for Anthropology in certain segments of the community. The cluster chair stated more research into this proposal and the steps required to consider this was necessary. The

cluster chair will follow-up with Kathy Gamble to determine the steps required to add a new course to the curriculum. The cluster will decide on whether or not we will proceed with adding a new Anthropology course during the Spring 2015 cluster meeting.

**Attendance: Dr. Asif Raza**

**Professor Heather Naylor**

**Professor Lystra Seenath**

**Dr. Emmanuel Alvarado**

**Professor Luke Roger**

**Professor Dorothy Block**

**Professor Janelle J. Christensen**

Submitted by: Lystra Seenath

Lystra Seenath

---

[name], Scribe

cc. Minutes Distribution List