Committee or Individual  Physical Education/Health/Athletics Division  Date submitted 4/7/10

Issue/Concern  Change name of PEHA Division to Kinesiology/Health/Athletics Division

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A. Describe the issue/concern:

The Division of PEHA is requesting the support from the campus community in allowing the division to change the title from Physical Education/Health/Athletics to Kinesiology/Health/Athletics.

B. What do you recommend or suggest solving this issue/concern?

There are no recommendations, however, our division has collaborated with our sister colleges and all have agreed that in order to be current with our discipline in relation to the four year institutions, this change is necessary. In addition, historical content might help the campus understand the reason behind the change: Virtually all Kinesiology programs in the US were originally PE programs. However, as the related disciplines of sport science (biomechanics, sport psychology, fitness training, nutrition, athletic training, etc.) evolved, it became clear that PE did not accurately portray all the different types of work that was being done in these programs. Hence, the broader term “Kinesiology” (the science of human movement) was adopted in almost all college programs across the country.

C. How will this recommendation support the success of SCC students and benefit the campus community?

Student who are interested in pursuing a degree in Kinesiology will see that SCC offers an AA degree in that subject matter (currently the AA is Physical Education and they may not understand that the course is identical). To help our students transition into understanding that the PE offerings are now under Kinesiology, we would request that a reference in both the catalog and class schedules under Physical Education would direct students to Kinesiology.