

# Student Success & Equity Meeting Notes

February 19, 2016 9:30 am – 11:00 a.m. Student Services Center, I4-402

	Larry Maxey	Alan Bass	Alison Damoose
	Angie Avila	Chris Sullivan	Ikuko McAnally
ATTENDEES	Susan Topham	Veronica Gerace	Peter Lofthouse
	Lauren Wade	Augustin Rivera Jr.	Pamela Luster
	Bri Hays		

### **AGENDA ITEM 1: Welcome & Introductions**

# COMMENTS/ DISCUSSION

- Peter Lofthouse- the new head Football Coach
- Cheryl Ching- observing Equity committees for her dissertation with USC, also a consultant with CUE
- Augustine Rivera Jr.- new Student Success Support Officer, Title V
- Guest- Terri Teegarden (presenting on Math & Science approved SSE mini grant)

### **AGENDA ITEM 2: Student Success & Equity Sightings**

COMMENTS/ DISCUSSION	<ul> <li>Adjusted President's Cabinet meeting to include SSE sightings as well to revive the meeting and a way to be more involved- Pam Luster</li> <li>Explored more topics within meetings and with students (in class) relating to Student Equity- Veronica Gerace</li> <li>Found an open computer lab (not being used) in Math &amp; Science building- Terri Teegarden <ul> <li>Math faculties have volunteered (without any form of budget) to help students as needed since they have been asking for extra help outside of class</li> <li>Math tutors have been volunteering their time also</li> <li>Received grateful responses from student who have noticed the computer lab with instructors being available</li> </ul> </li> <li>Connected with a student from class while learning how to pronounce the student's name in which she expressed appreciation in acknowledging the language/accent- Alison Damoose</li> </ul>
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#### **AGENDA ITEM 3: Presentations**

#### Student Equity

- 1. Equity Plan Activities (Maxey)
- Student Aid/Support; have assisted approximately 66 students up to date
- The goal is to act as a bridge to students in need in order to stay persistent and not necessarily carry out their need
- Foundation now has food vouchers that can be used in M Fusion of Culinary Arts student
- 2. The LOFT (Romero/Ikuko)
- Remodel is going as planned
- Started some Professional Development workshops but utilizing other space/rooms temporarily
- President's Cabinet approved a faculty position for the LOFT along with Instructional Learning Asst, Sr. Clerical and Instructional Designer

## COMMENTS/ DISCUSSION

- Mini Grant Proposals
  - 1. Math & Science (Teegarden)
  - first proposal approved
  - M & S instructors are finding out that students do not know how to operate all technology such as the scientific calculators
  - Distributed surveys to students and also to (Math) tutors after realizing that tutors work closely with students and can provide feedback in regards to identifying the gaps
  - Plan to provide workshops and resources in regards to appropriate use of technology for students and faculties as some faculties may not know everything in regards to technology also
  - Long term goal is to have links on M & S section of Mesa website to provide clips of how to operate specific technology used in M & S classes
  - 2. Received two more proposals (Maxey)
  - Mini Grant Committee will be reviewing

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## AGENDA ITEM 4: Mini Grant Committee (Maxey)

# COMMENTS/ DISCUSSION

- Would like to receive recommendations for another instructor and a classified representative
  - Alan Bass would like to volunteer (Alison will be Alan's backup, as agreed among the two); consensus from committee
  - Veronica Gerace volunteered as a consultant

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### **AGENDA ITEM 5: Committee Reports**

- Revamping FYE and now implementing SYE (Second Year Experience) as an approach to get students engaged along with career and transfer information pieces
- Working on how to merge and/or recruit students for SYE
- Counselors will be finding ways to provide counseling appointments from an Equity lens to students
- Appointments are booked quickly and as early as 7:30am
- Drop-ins are always available but very busy during peak times; suggests instructors to encourage students to make/see counselors during off peak times to have a more efficient appointment/meeting
- Plans are in the works for Pancake Social Fundraiser that will go to the Vets Foundation
- There will also be a clothing drive for Vets, seeking career/business outfits
- One-on-one appointments are available with Career Counselors in the Transfer Center and iill be hiring a Career Coordinator
- Basic Skills Initiative (Sullivan)
  - Generated research for accelerated course work for certificates, Career Tech
  - Would like to purpose "dissolving" & "resolving" Basic Skills Initiative into SSP meetings for the Basic Skills Initiative efforts
  - Will still have a Basic Skills Initiative Coordinator if it is part of SSP
- Title V/HIS Plan (McAnally)
  - Second year into grant
  - Hired more ESL tutors; from 4 tutors to now 18 tutors
  - Having trouble finding available rooms and issues with opening/unlocking rooms
  - Will be hiring more Peer Navigators for Summer Cruise
  - Summer Cruise plan to utilize the Jumpstart event to recruit
  - Peer Navigators will act as mentors and work on caseloads to follow up with students
  - Also plan to setup a Peer Navigator Office to offer resources to students
- Committee for Diversity Action, Inclusion & Equity (CDAIE)
  - Reported on "Privileges for Sell" activity as a pilot/guinea pigs to implement for trainings for students and faculty; enjoyed the activity
- Student Equity (Maxey)
  - Still in the implementation phase and plan to build and report on goals and purposes of Student Equity

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#### **AGENDA ITEM 6: Roundtable**

COMMENTS/	No roundtables
DISCUSSION	

Next Meeting: March 18, 2016

3rd Fridays of each month