

Student Success & Equity Committee Minutes

September 17, 2017 9:30 am – 11:00 a.m. Student Services Center, I4-402

	Larry Maxey	Monica Demcho	Ailene Crakes
	Melissa Williams	Bridget Herrin	Veronica Gerace
ATTENDEES	Peter Lofthouse		

AGENDA ITEM 1: Welcome/SSE Sightings

Welcome and SSE Sightings from attendees below

- DSPS Counselor, Melissa Williams shared that Mark Manesse, from MT2C has been working with the High Tech Center (HTC) tutors and students to provide same tutoring opportunity and experiences
- Instructor Veronica Gerace had the opportunity to meet with two students over the summer which have now transferred. One student was a former incarcerated student who shared about her gratefulness and appreciation with the encouragements she found from Mesa while the second student was inspired from Mesa and plans to become an instructor by ensuring that a Master's Degree is part of his educational goals
- A student who got denied to SDSU was given the suggestion to appeal but share her story. Once she submitted her appeal she got accepted.
- Two faculties met with Dean Crakes to share that instructors can make a difference by offering resources to help students complete assignments accurately rather than not understanding the assignment.
- After assisting a student in the LRC, Lisa Olson met the student again outside of the LRC at a campus event in which he was willing to share about losing his home. Lisa shared campus resources such as The Stand but he eventually had to drop his classes. The student actually returned in hopes of finishing his classes and was excited to reconnect with Lisa to share about obtaining two jobs while he was away from school.
- Coach Lofthouse shared about the collaboration with The Stand in collecting non-perishable food item in exchange for free admissions for the Homecoming game on Saturday, September 23rd.

AGENDA ITEM 2: Presentations

A. Equity Programs COMMENTS/ DISCUSSION A. Equity Programs 1. Mesa Messages & Hero Recognition (Gerace) - Shared a handout to propose a recognition and/or a reception to honor the wonderful people at Mesa who are committed and

COMMENTS/ DISCUSSION

- passionate about student success and equity.
- This recognition will be selected and hosted by the SSE Committee.
- Larry suggested to table the proposal for the next meeting to get feedbacks from the executives also.
- 2. Honors Program (Gerace)
 - 3 coordinators have been selected; focus will be on equity
 - Plan to restructure the program and office space
 - The numbers of Honors students have increase from about 280 to over 300 students
 - Plan to spread the word and make aware that anyone is welcome to join the Honors Program
- 3. Common Grounds (Gerace)
 - Next Common Grounds event is October 26
 - Campus comes together for an hour as an opportunity for students to meet and speak to faculty, staff and administrators outside of a class setting
 - Veronica encourages all faculty, staff and administrators to attend and engage with students to build connections
- 4. 2017-18 CCEAL Program (Maxey)
 - CCEAL was formerly M2C3
 - Mesa/SSE has completed an agreement to enter into a three year contract
 - Plan to create an instructional contract to have workshops for students and collaborate with instructors to start conversations that can be uncomfortable
 - Provide trainings for adjunct, staff and faculties including those that teach at high schools, Peer Navigators, mentors and student workers
 - Suggestions are also welcome for other groups that will benefit from the trainings
 - Lisa Olson requests to also include LRC faculties to join in one of the school meetings/trainings
- B. Follow-up: Summer Working Group Update-Integration Plan (Crakes/Maxey)
 - Before the Integration Plan (of SSSP, SSE & BSI) respective departments/groups have always worked in silos
 - In spring 2016, a collaboration has started in order to lessen the reports since everyone has been working on the same goal
 - Dean Crakes shared a clip of Ms. Pierson by TED Talk who spoke about Human Connection as an important tool to help students succeed in class
 - The Summer Work Group has agreed that we need a connection with students personally and professionally
 - Two main reasons for the integration
 - (1.) Ultimate goal of increasing student while closing achievement gaps
 - (2.) Strong potential for overlap between and among programs
 - Rationale:
 - (1.) Develop a cohesive strategy
 - (2.) Streamline work at both college and state levels
 - (3.) Make efforts more efficient and sustainable
 - Submission deadline to provide reports is December 15, 2017
 - Fiscal reports are required annually
 - Programmatic and student outcome data are collected through MIS reporting

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AGENDA ITEM 3: Committee Reports

	Α.	SSSP (Crakes)
		- Wrapping up the Integration plans for the fall semester
	B.	
		- No report, Wendy Smith was not present
	C.	Title V/HSI & Title III STEM
		- Leticia Lopez (not present), coordinator of Title III STEM is now also
		the coordinator for the remainder of Title V/HSI grant
	D.	CDAIE (Sundayo)
		- No report, Judy was not present
COMMENTS/	E.	SSE (Maxey)
DISCUSSION		 Moving forward with the support of the equity initiatives; plan to invite
		guests to present at next meeting, October 20, 2017
		- Provided a handout to show data for The Stand to share the need to
		sustain The Stand for the students
	F.	
		- Kicking off again with workshops/series for the fall
	G.	Strong Workforce (Romero)
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AGENDA ITEM 4: Roundtable

COMMENTS/ DISCUSSION	No roundtable shared
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Next Meeting: October 20, 2017

Meeting Formula: every 3rd Friday of each month, unless otherwise noted.