North State ROOTS, Office of Civic Engagement (OCE)
Wednesday, February 16, 2022 Meeting Agenda
Attendees: Patrick Newell, Ann Shulte, Emilyn Sheffield, Amy Magnus, Suzanne Mylin, Courtney Farell, Heidi Mendenhall, Dave Tanner, Enrique Galvan, Eva Shepherd-Nicoll, Patricia Stock, Ildefonso Ponce, Tatiana Ybarra, Lori Miller

Updates
Heidi Mendenhall shared First 5 course project
   Students from our Public Health program were conducting interviews with families to collect information to inform First 5 Programs.

Civically Engaged Scholar and Early Career Community Engaged Faculty Awards
Black History Month resource
Daily Yonder has some really timely topics
Series of free Rural Equity webinars

More Updates:
Dave Tanner, McConnell Scholars Convening recap
   - About 30 recipients receiving $30,000, allows students to pursue their goals and find all the talents they have.
   - 27 current recipients at Chico State met with 15
   - They discussed: How does it feel to be from a rural community and looking at Chico state- They talked about the stigma of seeing Chico state as a backup, but not first choice.
   - Sharing feelings of how Chico State is “not really leaving home”
   - Giving back home initiative: Once the recipients develop their talents and figure out what they want to do, they can return home and do it there.
   - Embracing students for being from their rural communities, which students aren’t used to.
   - Recipients discussed no one talking about what to do after they finish school
   - Amy Magnus: Importance of place identity and how students connect to Chico and Chico State

Emilyn Sheffield, Californians-For-All College Corps grant
   - Offers about $10,000 in financial support total
   - California Climate Action Core: 13 people helped at Chico State; 10-week fellowship in the summer; 3 out of 40 are being held in Chico State’s region.
   - Help students with debt and degree achievement to alleviate the financial stress that delays the process.
GRAD Partnerships with RSC

- Help rural schools/partner schools provide students with educational attainment
- Importance of economic conferences to education, higher education, and community contribution
- The hope of partnership and programs connected to the Chico Student Success Center.

Other comments

Tatiana:
- Identify ways to advertise the grants and programs to less traditional students or a bigger recruitment field to clear the path to education

Emilyn:
- Looking for more fellows and having a plan in looking for more of them to join not only seasonal positions but also new scholarship opportunities.
- Helping students know what they need to qualify for different organizations and positions

Additional Resources
North Dakota State Superintendent Student Cabinet
Dickinson ND Youth Commission Advisory Committee

Meetings will be on Zoom, Wednesdays 12-1, on the following dates.
Mar 23
Apr 20
May TBA (Celebration in person?)