

GRADUATION INITIATIVE ADVISORY TEAM MEETING

SEPTEMBER 18, 2020 1:00 – 2:30 PM

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MINUTES

1. Announcements
 2. Review [Minutes](#) from September 4, 2020
 3. Data Byte: Highlights from Roll and Wilking, [“COVID-19 & Student Basic Needs: Understanding impacts of the disruption and CARES emergency funding”](#)
 - a. Jennifer Wilking, POLS presented the findings of the study
 - b. Discussion of communication challenges in connecting students with support: send to Kate and Chela
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1. [Team Roster 2020-2021](#)
 - a. Changes to team make-up approved by VPAA and VPSA
 - b. Confirmation of 2020-2021 membership almost complete
 - c. Steering Committee openings (drawn from GI Team members)
 - i. Academic Affairs: 1 representative
 - Self or other nominations--send to Kate and Chela by 9/25
 - ii. Student Affairs: 2 representatives (need nominations)
 - Self or other nominations--send to Kate and Chela by 9/25
 - iii. Students: 2 representatives: Will be filled by student members
 2. 2020-2021 Priorities: Approved by VPAA and VPSA
 - a. Apply research-driven strategies to promote high quality virtual instruction with a focus on closing equity gaps
 - b. Apply research-driven strategies to promote high quality virtual student support services with a focus on closing equity gaps
 - c. Monitor data on student experience, course outcomes, and retention in relation to virtual instruction and support services and respond to emergent challenges
 3. Finish establishing 2020-2021 Work Groups
 - a. Confirmed
 - i. Tipping Point Student Success Summit: Kate, Chela, Mary, Ellie, Dawn, Cecilia, Kaitlyn
 - Membership confirmed; will meet soon for initial planning
 - ii. Faculty Engagement with Grade Data: Daniel, Chiara, Tom, Kate, Ellie, Jeff (and Jason Nice)
 - Very active now, ready to launch dashboard soon
 - iii. [Communications](#): Andy, Mary, Kathy, Shawn (and Alex Karolyi, Alisha Johns)
 - See linked report
 - b. Possible
 - i. Financial and Administrative Barriers (Dan)
 - Will have membership update next meeting
 - ii. Second-Year Retention (Darin, William,)

- Congratulations letter from deans went out to first-year students in May setting them up for second year
 - Revising plans for live fall welcome event; considering high-touch outreach to second year students not in support programs
 - Darin will follow up with Mary, Shawn, and someone in Advising (Anna Flores)
 - iii. Student Success Centers Alignment (Dawn, Kaitlyn)
 - Working on updating membership
 - Will focus on overlap between support centers and Academic Advising
 - Early engagement data indicates need for better communication with learning support systems
 - iv. Transfer Support (Kate, Kaitlyn)
 - Pause group and work from Enrollment Management Plan
 - Transfer Connection courses running this semester, another will run in spring
 - Academic Technologies wants to provide intro to campus technologies at Wildcat Warmup for transfers
 - Kate and Kaitlyn will provide inventory of activities going on now
 - v. New: Group to address Priority 3 (Kate, Kathy, Shawn, Erin, William)
 - Information gathering and reporting function
 - Provost has invited proposal for modest funding
 - Kate will schedule first meeting to develop charge
 - c. Suspended due to lack of funding:
 - i. Student Success Awards
 - ii. Equity-Minded Programs Initiative (cohort one still active)
4. Regular updates from campus units and relevant initiatives
- a. Academic Advising Programs/Chico State 360
 - i. Great launch in summer; need to get remaining faculty advisors onboard
 - b. Basic Needs
 - i. See linked report
 - ii. Needs financial support
 - iii. Still open for service to local students
 - c. Enrollment Management
 - d. Strategic Plan process planning ongoing; should launch in a few weeks
 - e. Faculty Development
 - i. Advisory Board meeting to plan for spring
 - ii. This semester: FLCs on digital pedagogy (Kim Jaxon), First Year Boot Camp (Ellie)
 - iii. Working closely with TLP this year
 - iv. Go Virtual reunion and ongoing meetings
 - v. Friday Forum on voting just held
 - vi. Monthly Teaching Racial and Social Justice workshop will be run this semester by Nandi Crosby
 - f. HSI Initiatives
 - i. Hispanic Heritage Month
 - ii. HSI grants (\$13 million) session yesterday; student research forum coming
 - iii. Teresita shared conference opportunities, recommends especially *Excelencia* activities (free)
 - g. Middle Leadership Academy
 - i. 3rd Cohort launching now
 - ii. Leaders of all three cohorts met to align efforts—all focused on equity

- h. University Diversity Committee
 - i. Just had first meeting, joined by President Hutchinson
 - ii. Charged to develop survey for faculty, staff and students to identify critical equity issues; also charged to explore trainings on equity and diversity for faculty and staff
 - i. University Strategic Planning
 - i. Group will resume work in the next weeks
5. Other
- a. Consider review recent EAP report on equity as another spur to audit/action

Next meeting: October 2, 2020, 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

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