

Student Success Committee Meeting

9:00 AM October 11, 2013

Koch Hall Board Room

Present: Jane Dane', David Metzger, Ellen Neufeldt, Brian Payne, Carol Simpson, Mary Swartz, Sandy Waters, Rusty Waterfield and David Kozoyed.

Fall '13 Cohort, Retention Efforts, and Goals (83%)

Predictive Model

Jane reported that information about fall 2013 cohort was sent to Noel-Levitz, applied the predictive model to it, and was mounted into Retain. Four different contact groups were created based on one of the following reasons the student was in a group: advising, student engagement, financial aid and academic enhancement. Lists were extracted and advisors are working directly with the students. Discussion followed. Jane will make a presentation at the next meeting, summarizing this modeling report.

First 6 Weeks

Sandy reported that each of the colleges and CME had identified at-risk students prior to this based on TCI or high school GPA. We have identified those students and will load into database. Early alert grade piece has been identified and faculty are collecting this information now.

Brief discussion followed concerning lecture capture of supplemental instruction. Brian will identify the classes and forward to Rusty.

Major

Brian reviewed a list of classes with high DFWI rates and emailed deans and assistant deans asking them to do something about the "stand out" professors.

Discussion followed on student incentives/rewards/motivations for making good grades.

Pre-Registration Calendar

Mary reported the dates for preregistration next spring for fall 2014: Monday, March 31-Friday, April 11. Preregistration for special populations will be Friday, March 28. Preregistration will occur over two full weeks, followed by open registration beginning Saturday, March 29. There will be two windows each day (Monday-Friday) at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.

On-going review and evaluation of course registration and work with the colleges currently occurs to open course offerings and/or increase course capacities. There is a very well experienced working group that consistently reviews and updates general education offerings throughout the summer as freshmen Previews occurs. This group includes Academic Affairs and SEES representatives.

Jane, Sandy and Don will discuss what Housing and SGA can do to encourage pre-registration. Sandy reported that Associate Deans look at what is being filled up by juniors and seniors and are able to adjust the schedule. Brief discussion regarding being more proactive in this regard.

On Boarding

David Kozoyed updated the committee regarding the efforts of ITS and the functional and technical teams working with student onboarding. Discussion followed concerning including a checklist for financial planning. Sandy will forward to David items to be included in this checklist. Someone from the Office of Finance will be invited to the November meeting.

Predictive Modeling Update

EAB Collaborative

Brian reported on a recent, very helpful, phone conference with the EAB. We need to determine what the best pilot measures are and encourage the departments to participate. David is working on the technical side and has a meeting set for October 18. We will be scheduling all follow up calls to start implementation phase.

Discussion followed on how to market this on our campus, including to Deans and Vice Presidents.

Agile Advisors

Sandy reported that advisors are now able to reassign themselves to a student. Frontline people are using the program, with few issues.

Affinity Exercise with Learning Commons, Library, Student Success Center, October 25

Ellen reported that on October 25, September Sanderlin and Cheryl Foreman will lead an affinity exercise to discuss the evolution of the Learning Commons, library, and Student Success Center.

Review and Update Committees for 2013-14

- Retention: Johnny and Brian, co-chairs; Sandy and Vicki
Discussion followed regarding expanding this committee to include retention, persistence, and graduation; a meeting will be scheduled to further discuss.

Brian distributed 3 handouts with statistics on time to degree
- Sophomore Success
Could tie in with retention and graduation.
- Portal/Communication
Rusty and Don, co-chairs
- Assessment
Jane and Scott, co-chairs
- Entry Process
Jane, Rusty, Scott
- Technology Tools
Brian, Jane, David, tri-chairs
- Advising
Sandy, chair; Brian, Mary Swartz, Chandra, Terri Matthews

Update on Strategic Plan

Provost Simpson reported that the strategic planning steering committee has begun meeting. The following four topic committees have been formed: Academic and Research Strengths, co-chaired by Debbie Bauman and David Earnest; Enrollment Management, co-chaired by Jane Dane' and Johnny Young; Economic Development & Entrepreneurship, co-chaired by Stacie Ringleb and Rusty Waterfield; and Community Engagement, co-chaired by Chandra DeSilva and Don Stansberry.