Wyoming Community College Commission

Student Services Council
Meeting Notes

Date: 8:30 AM, Thursday March 17, 2016
Place: Conference call

Members present:

CWC: Cory Daly
EWC: Rex Cogdill
LCCC: Judy Hay
NWCC: Carol Garcia
WWCC: Jackie Freeze
WCCC: Joe McCann
Cayse Cummings

Guests:

UW: Sara Axelson
WDE: Kenya Haines

1) Agenda item: Corrections of the prior meeting notes- Joe McCann requested everyone look over the last meeting notes and get back with him later with any corrections, changes or additions.

2) Announcements and Rumor clarification-
   EWC – There is a Tech Center groundbreaking today.
   WWCC – The Director of Children’s Center Amber Hamilin passed away last week. WWCC has a new e-mail server and Jackie Freeze has a new e-mail address.
   WCCC – Staff is dealing with shutting down WY Family Literacy Programs across the state. Some have found alternative funding. We wish them all luck in finding dollars to continue.
   UW – A search to fill a UW diversity (coordinator) position will soon begin.

3) Agenda item: Higher Education Single Points of Contact for homeless students and possible assistance from the National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth of (NAEHCY)

   Discussion: Kenya Haines said that every K-12 school district has a person that provides assistance to students that are homeless. Most are teenagers who are homeless and without a parent or guardian. They assist them with housing in order to get them to H.S. graduation. Looking at a full continuum of resources, once these students leave the high school, they still need assistance and help. 15 states have established higher education homeless networks by
designating a point of contact for these students and help with FASFA for homeless designation. Food security and housing a major issues. The most important component is having the single source of contact. Higher education network specific set ups and programs available. Kenya also mentioned that there are a lot of other partners NAEHCY

**Action:** All colleges present for this call commented they were interested in additional information and want to be included in future calls and/or meetings. Joe McCann will work with Kenya to set up a future meeting time with a NAEHCY representative.

4) **Agenda item: Updates**

   a. 5/22 through 5/24/16 WySAC plan to date – Carol Garcia, Cory Daly, Rex Cogdill and Jackie Freeze

   **Discussion:** Carol Garcia said the website is waiting to go up. Registration won’t kick off till next week. Cost for WySAC will be $95.00 with several hotels guaranteeing reduced prices ranging from $79 - $110. No way to pay on line payments will need to be called in. There will be a face-to-face SSC meeting probably over the noon hour on Monday 5/23. All breakout conference sessions are full. Gear-up council will meet Tuesday morning.

   **Action:** Carol will also send information out via email. SSC members should distribute the information once it is available circulate

   b. Considerations for modification of the WCCC tuition setting process –

   **Discussion:** There is going to be a special commission meeting on the 21st of this month to set ’16-’17 tuition rates. Commissioners have expressed an interest to have a discussion at their summer retreat.

   c. Tentative date for a CCCSE workshop, 9/22/16 –

   **Discussion:** Joe McCann advised that Jeff Crumley from CCCSE said the Monday before the articulation summit would work for them. The 22nd is currently earmarked for CCCSE... Sara Axelson said UW would help in securing a place and facilitate the other meeting. She also informed us that that September 29th and 30th has just been booked for are currently booked for the Articulation Summit.

   **Action:** Joe McCann will request that Jeff Crumley change the date to 9/29/16. Articulation Summit for Sept. 29 – 30, 2016. Sara will work with Jenny Ingram at GU also.

   d. **2016 Wyoming Legislation** –

   Discussion: House Bill 80 changes the mechanism for the community college’s block grant. This is an item were are working on here at the commission. Also recognizes distance Ed at .80. Level of Instruction weighting changed from 1.00, 1.50 and 2.00 to 1.00, 1.25 and 1.50, for course LOI of 1, 2, and 3 respectively. Jackie Freeze mentioned it would be beneficial to have a better understanding of the Distance Ed
.80 assessment so that it can be communicated accurately. Sarah mentioned that the next couple of years are going to be difficult at UW due to budget cut-backs.

e. CIP code revisions to enable occupation (SOC) code to code CIP code matches for program completers.  
**Discussion:** Joe McCann said he had a meeting last week with the AAC that included facing up to a challenge of changing CIP codes in view of the volume of work entailed. The AAC’s recommendation is to hold CIP code changes in abeyance until such time as it appears that CIP changes would lead to better matches with SOC codes utilized in DWS Research and Planning’s data.  
**Action:** Joe will send out a list of possible revisions to the AAC and courtesy copy the SSC.

f. Challenges associated with the use of common residency guidelines for tuition determination  
**Discussion:** Judy Hay said she would let everyone know about current topics from the registrars meeting later today. Sara Axelson said that UW is considering a few changes regarding determination of financial independence. UW will be developing a sub-committee for financial independence for undergraduate and graduate students. She will keep SSC members updated as to any changes.

5) Agenda item: **CCW update** –  
**Discussion:** Jackie Freeze – Dashboard is up and running. A face-to-face CCW Team meeting is scheduled April 29th in April to discuss moving forward.

6) Agenda item: **Vetting felon college applications** and mitigating risks posed by disgruntled current and former students –  
**Discussion:** The council members mentioned that none of the colleges ask these type of questions on their applications. However, EWC does with housing. Rex Cogdill said it was strictly voluntary for students to provide this information. Sara Axelson said that UW does and she’ll forward the information to everyone.  
**Action Item:** Rex Cogdill will send out Nebraska’s state policy to provide everyone a starting point. He suggested the members start an e-mail thread on developing such questions before the next meeting. Sara will forward to the council members the questions asked by UW.

7) Agenda item: Committee and Functional Group reports:  
Jackie Freeze said that the Marketing Committee met last week and talked about opportunities that come about for specific partnerships on joint advertising.

8) Other agenda items:  
Judy Hay asked if anyone had heard of interest in using the state’s WYO4LIFE email address
for students and or alumni. She said it appears to be geared toward K-12. There doesn’t appear to be any interest at this time.

9) The next SSC meeting is scheduled as a conference call, Thursday 4/21/16 at 8:30 AM.