



**Student Success Committee  
Minutes  
April 22, 2021  
3:30 – 5:00pm**

X	Valerie Ambrose		Camelia Mihele		Brian Spillane
X	Kari Aranbul		Rochelle Morris	x	Heather Wylie
X	Dan Bryant	x	Barbara Perry		Bing Xu
X	Cheryl Cruse		Sonia Randhawa	x	Elaine Carmena
	Matt Gallmeister		Student Rep		
X	Kate Mahar	x	Melanee Grondahl		

<b>Guests</b>		

- APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - 3-26-2021 Meeting Minutes: Valerie motions and Heather seconds to approve. All in favor, none abstained.
  
- DISCUSSION
  - Finalize projects
    - Video Project-Resources
      - Kate would like to support the video project.
    - Reimagining Student Success Workshops
      - Melanee stated that some of the STU classes will have workshops, and include the committee from the campus.
      - Melanee stated that about 3-4 weeks prior to the start of school she starts considering workshops. She hopes to have workshops start in the 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> week. Melanee stated that the SSC can start thinking about ideas. The breakout group would have to happen a couple weeks prior to school starting. Scheduling can happen now.
      - Kari asked if anyone would be interested in being in the group?

- Cheryl showed interest, and it might be important to reach out to other groups.
  - Heather stated that there is a group looking at re-imagining campus committees. Heather asked if we are creating project teams? Kari stated “yes”.
  - Kari stated that the SSC would like to create a form email to reach out to people to help with the various projects.
- Melanee stated that she would like to experiment with it. Melanee stated she would like to meet soon and within the fall semester. Melanee would like to work with Research and come up with a questionnaire for students and faculty.
- Dan Bryant stated he would like to be part of the group.
- Elaine would like to support the workshop
- Developing student supports for special admits (Dual/Concurrent enrollment)
  - Valerie stated that she would like to be a part of this group.
  - Barbara stated she would like to support this work group.
- Portfolio
- Discussion/Comment:
  - Heather asked what are the resources to show what we are not seeing? What should we really focus on to support student success?
    - Kate stated that the reliance will be on many groups.
  - Heather discussed how important it would be to elevate these equity advisory groups.
  - Kari asked what if we brainstorm more, and if we meet in the fall and get feedback from these advisory boards. Kari stated that it may be different when getting information from these boards.
  - Kate stated as the SSC “looks around the corners”, it seems like there is a lot of need to deliver a voice.
  - Kari asked the group what they would like to focus on?
  - Heather likes the idea of reaching out to others and intentional with the reach out.
  - Kate asked how the SSC can support these other topics? Does the SSC want to make sure that these Advisory groups have a formal place to go? Is this a project the SSC wants to do; especially with the flux of the Equity group and Advisory groups?
    - Valerie stated that the video project is on-going and the workshops are strong.
    - Heather shared that ideally equity would be at the front of every committee.
    - Melanee stated that it would be great to have more direction and not rely on it naturally happening.
    - Heather asked, what does it look like?

- Melanee asked what about sister or brother committees? What if we have a committee that is equity? Maybe a joint committee on success? Melanee stated that she is aware that many others would want to be on an equity committee. Melanee also likes the concept of a representative of the committee. Melanee still feels strongly that the SSC should not take on everything.
  - Who will work in each project group
  - Review Bylaws
  - Action Items
- REPORTS
- OTHER
  - Heather Wylie stated that the LGBTQ+ Advisory Board is looking for a Committee “home”. The group is thinking about the Student Success Committee. The Advisory Board position to consider what happens inside and outside the class room. The Advisory Board is looking for a Committee to advise. In the past there was some reporting to the SSC, but it has shifted away.
    - Melanee asked if there was an Equity committee?
      - Valerie stated that it exists but no longer meets. Valerie stated that equity is supposed to be infused with all committees. She also stated that the funding has also disappeared to have its own committee.
  - Heather asked if the Equity Committee would like to discuss what they could do and if they would like to take it over? Valerie stated that a number of people left because it became advisory. Valerie stated that it felt like there was a lot representation but now it felt like many of the actions are now just “rubber stamping”.
  - Kate stated how having a Committee to create avenues to better serve students. Kate asked what the Committee would like to do?
    - Heather would like a space to report out online. Heather also keeps coming back to a voice of equity and advisory.
    - Valerie would like to join the equity and advisory group.
    - Kari stated she would like to support the equity and advisory group.
  - Kate will send out an interest email to those that have not attended. Heather will send out an email once the members are defined into a group.
    - Melanee likes the idea of the equity focus and will be happy to support the video project.
- ADJOURNMENT – 4:58pm

**Minutes recorded by James Konopitski, Student Services Coordinator**