

Student Success and Retention Council  
October 2, 2014  
MEETING MINUTES

**Members present:** Jonathan Glenn (Chair), Ben Rowley, Amber Hall, Chad Hearne, Julia Winden Fey, Leigh Ann Denhartog, Susan Sobel, Nancy Gallavan, Jacob Held, Angela Jackson, Don Bradley

**Members absent:** Cheryl Lyons, Scott Nadler, Ashley Ross, Stephanie McBrayer

**Guest:** Amy Baldwin, Director of University College

Glenn called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm.

Denhartog spoke at length on the recent and anticipated changes in the Academic Advising Center and the on-going professional development for faculty advisors. Items noted:

1. Working to identify the best academic core courses for each discipline.
2. Projected: Changing name of Program Completion Plans (PCPs) to Academic Maps.
3. Projected: Working to develop course schedules 2-3 years out in Degree Works. Planner to be built off program sequence.
4. AAC advising will be required each semester for all Freshmen *and* Sophomores (except Art students in their second year). Students will have the same advisors for both years.
5. There are three advisors assigned to undecided/undeclared students.
6. The AAC has a table set up in the student center each Wednesday from 11am-1pm to assist students with advising appointments.
7. The AAC will work to develop a stronger partnership with faculty members that advise upperclassmen. One idea involves the creation of an Advising Council/Committee. (Glenn and Denhartog will draft a proposal to form the group).

Winden Fey asked if the Registrar's Office or Institutional Research is collecting data from students that withdraw (Students are requested to complete a questionnaire upon withdrawing). Glenn mentioned that the RO should have at least one year of questionnaire answers that IR could possibly analyze.

Glenn discussed some of the feedback that has been received on the Guiding Principles. Gallavan suggested using a model or diagram to help the campus community better understand the purpose of the SSRC Guiding Principles. They are meant to be a foundation, not specific actions.

Sobel made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2014 meeting. Rowley seconded the motion. Motion passed, 10 in favor, 0 opposed. Minutes will be posted to the SSRC website.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 pm.

NEXT MEETING: November 6, 2014 at 3:00 pm in COB 311.