

Student Success and Retention Council
Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2015

Member present: Julia Winden Fey (Acting Chair), Amber Hall, Susan Sobel, Leigh Ann Denhartog, Angela Jackson, Patricia Smith, Nancy Gallavan, Ben Rowley, Colin Stanton, Kaye McKinzie

Members absent: Zach Carter, Stephanie McBrayer, Cheryl Lyons, Jacob Held

Guest: Thomas Bruick, Amy Baldwin

Dr. Winden Fey called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

Order of Business:

1. Dr. Gallavan made a motion to approve the minutes from the SSRC meeting on November 5, 2015. Dr. Sobel seconded the motion. Ms. Jackson requested one correction to the minutes. Motion passed, with correction, 6 in favor, 2 abstentions.
2. Dr. Baldwin provided an overview of the ADHE Master Plan 2020 "Closing the Gap". The plan's objective is to reach the 2025 goal of a 60% post-secondary attainment rate in Arkansas, increasing from the current estimated of 43.4%. Handouts were distributed that outlined the supporting goals and information sharing consortia.
 - a. Members agreed that the efforts must begin in K-12, particularly middle school.
 - b. Dr. Baldwin indicated that UCA will have fully implemented co-requisite classes by Fall 2016. Co-requisites connect a transitional class to a college level class. Dr. Baldwin believes that with this program, UCA can be a model for other schools.
 - c. Dr. Baldwin shared predictive analytics which suggested GPAs and math courses were a better indicator of college readiness than ACT scores.
 - d. Dr. Baldwin will provide the SSRC with periodic updates on the ADHE Master Plan.
3. Dr. Winden Fey discussed the Enrollment Management Plan Revision – Request for Details Template.
 - a. Websites should be listed in the templates; and tables should be provided in the appendices.
 - b. Member reports (i.e., the Request for Details) with Fall to Fall data will be due to the SSRC on November 15 of each year. The SSRC will review and report the findings to the Staff and Faculty Senates, the Provost and the President.
 - c. Members were asked to please re-send their reports to Dr. Winden Fey.

Roundtable Discussion:

1. Ms. Hall shared information on the OIR job search for a Statistician. The OIR is also working on developing a "data dump" process for the campus.
2. Dr. Baldwin indicated that the rebranding initiatives are almost finished for University College.
3. Dr. Sobel reported on the successful results of both the pet therapy program and the Honors College peer counseling program.
4. Ms. Jackson shared the positive feedback she received from attendees for inviting graduate students to the recent minority student dinner.

5. Mr. Bruick provided a Mapworks summary report which indicated higher percentages in most categories over last year's survey responses.

The next SSRC meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2015 at 3:00 pm in Wingo Hall 315.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Massey