

## **Concurrent Enrollment Advisory Board Meeting**

Thursday, January 31, 2013

Daniels Fund

101 Monroe, Denver, CO

### **Present:**

Chahnuh Fritz

Chelsy Harris

Dan Jorgensen

Richard Maestas

Misti Ruthven

Scott Stump

Vaughn Toland

Tamara White

### **On phone:**

Jill Toussaint

### **Not in attendance:**

Mimi Leonard

Tracey Lovett

Cliff Richardson

Deborah "Sunny" Schmitt

Rick Sciacca

Guests: Diane Ward, Dr. James R. Malm, Danny Martinez, Patty Milner, Nicole Olsen, Jason Robinson

Welcome and minutes approval: Scott Stump

- Vice Chair, Scott Stump was acting chair as Cliff Richardson was on leave.
- Vaughn Toland motioned to approve minutes. Chahnuh Fritz seconded. All members signaled approval. Minutes were approved.
- Introductions were made around the room.

General update: Misti Ruthven and Tamara White

- Concurrent Enrollment Legislative report is due 2-1-13. It will be submitted within the next week
- Concurrent enrollment numbers have increased.
- Scott and Cliff are scheduled to speak to the State Board of Education in February and the Colorado Commission on Higher Education in March.
- ASCENT numbers will be updated by February 15, 2013.
- Tamara told us DHE is focusing on 3 topics for admissions policy review
  - HEAR
  - Transfer Admission Standards
  - Index (GPA/Assessment scores)
- Tamara also told us DHE is focusing on 4 topics for remedial education policy review

- Assessments
- Cut Scores
- Differentiated Placement
- Supplemental Academic Instruction Policy
- Multiple reports will be on the DHE website in a month or two.
- Rick Sciacca is the new CDE appointee for the CE Advisory Board. He is from LaVeta and represents the rural area.
- DHE still has a slot open. Tamara White hopes to have an appointment soon.

#### Jobs for the Future (JFF) Report Presentation

- Diane Ward from JFF gave Early College report update from work completed by a Colorado committee of stakeholders. Report is attached to these minutes. The report highlights include:
  - Colorado is the front runner and early adopter of concurrent enrollment between the states that JFF has worked with to provide reports.

#### Extended Studies Information Session

- Danny Martinez and Jason Robinson from CU Succeed
  - They are cash funded which means students pay the tuition themselves
  - They do not actively recruit, the schools identify students
  - Silver program-postsecondary instructors go to the high schools to provide courses
  - Gold program-High School Teachers with credentials teach the courses at the high school
  - Liaisons make site visits to teachers
  - High school teachers must attend a professional development day every summer
  - They serve approximately 5,000 students a year in 94 high schools from 45 school districts
  - They offer 740 courses
  - Most courses are gtPathways
  - Each course is \$75
  - Students receive credit on both their high school and college transcripts for CU Succeed.
  - Transcript received is from the University of Colorado System.
- Nicole Olsen from CSU Ft. Collins – Online PLUS
  - Students are required to come on campus
  - As of this time, only foreign languages are offered
  - Only college faculty are utilized to teach courses
  - This program is offered as concurrent enrollment, not extended studies
  - They do not actively recruit, teacher identify students
- Dr. James Malm and Patty Milner from CSU-Pueblo
  - This program is extended studies
  - They do not actively recruit, the schools identify students

- They offer 200 courses and serve 2,500 students from 18 high schools
- They are cash funded which means that the parents/students pay
- The cost is \$49 per credit hour
- Most courses are gtPathways
- Courses are taught in high schools by HS teachers
- Teachers must meet faculty requirements
- Teachers are approved and supervised by college faculty
- There are college credits for honors courses
- Students receive a CSU-Pueblo transcript
- A revenue sharing agreement is in place to assist high schools with administrative expenses.

#### Board Discussion:

- Extended studies is not Concurrent Enrollment so they don't have to follow the Concurrent Enrollment Act.
- Extended studies is classified as off college campuses.
- We need to make sure that everyone is on the same page concerning CE and Extended Studies.

#### Concurrent Enrollment Logic Model and Research Review-Dan Jorgensen

- Board will look through the Logic Model and make recommendations for the next meeting.
- Study will be done by August 2013

#### Proposed ASCENT Reporting Updates-Misti Ruthven

- CDE staff have internally reviewed the ASCENT process and propose the following changes:
  - Change the September 15<sup>th</sup> deadline and use February 1<sup>st</sup> as the new deadline for reporting ASCENT numbers
  - Allow schools and districts to maintain student ASCENT records and will be requested during CDE audits
  - End of year report will flag ASCENT students
  - October count will flag ASCENT students
  - Someone at the school will need to approve a form stating the student is an ASCENT student
- These changes will not impact or revise the ASCENT requirements for students or schools, but update the reporting process for districts with CDE.

#### Committee Updates

- The forms are still being worked on
- Communication still needs members

#### Public Input

- Chelsy Harris would like a list of ASCENT participating colleges and guidelines readily available
- SCED-how to count college courses for HS credits? Use the HS course code that most closely relates to the class. The CDE website under FAQ's has information on this.

#### Action Plan

- Next meeting is March 28, 2013 at the Pikes Peak Rampart Campus in Colorado Springs.