

Student Success Committee Meeting Minutes



Facilitator: Dr. R. Blonshine & Dr. V. Woodward

Date: April 21, 2022

Time: 1:00pm

Recorder: Linda Garcia
LOCATION: Zoom

Compton College will be the leading institution of student learning and success in higher education.		
Mission Statement:		
Compton College is a welcoming and inclusive community where diverse students are supported to pursue and attain student success.		
Compton College provides solutions to challenges, utilizes the latest techniques for preparing the workforce and provides clear pathways		
for completion of programs of study, transition to a university, and securing living-wage employment.		
ATTENDEES PRESENT:		
Blonshine, Rebekah	Woodward, Valerie	Donaldson, Brenda
Geroge, Sarah	Jimenez, Cesar	Manikandan, Gayathri
Sosenko, Lauren		

Vision:

MINUTES:

- 1) Welcome and Check in
 - a. Dr. Woodward provided a summary of the agenda items

2) Updates

- a. Recommendations to Dr. Curry regarding student fee forgiveness process and Criteria Dr. Woodward shared that Dr. Curry would like some recommendation input from this Committee on how to prioritize and understand the criteria for paying off student fees ex: eligibility criteria and how to determine students who are eligible for fee forgiveness. Some thoughts to include in the enrollment fraud to take into consideration.
 - i. Dr. Blonshine suggested for the fees to be covered for Fall 2022 with HERFF funds, to continue what they are doing to waive fees, Dr. Woodward agreed
 - ii. Dr. Blonshine suggested asking students to have a current financial aid application on file
 - iii. Dr. Jimenez agreed and suggested what could have been done better would be to follow up with those students whose fees were covered. The students whose fees were covered only received a letter stating that their fees were paid off
 - iv. Dr. Jimenez shared his screen of what Georgia State University did for their Retention Plan (Panther retention grant) which targeted students who have a certain number of units completed, are on track to graduate, and are on track to obtain a certificate; Dr. Jimenez suggested to Dr. Curry years ago to provide Tartar retention grants, like Georgia State University; a list of students can be contacted to inform them their fees have been waived, following up with creating a proactive outreach in making sure they meet with a counselor, they have a student's educational plan, they meet with financial aid, and FAFSA is completed and make sure those students enroll in a class; data needs to be collected to do the best to reenroll those students
 - v. G. Manikandan suggested before clearing the fees contact students and set up a plan, and then once fees are cleared follow up again
 - vi. Dr. Woodward stated the recommendation would be clear the fees, follow up with the call center inquiring if they need an Ed plan, fill out FAFSA, and schedule an appointment with a counselor
 - vii. Dr. Blonshine recommended creating a Super Saturday (complete all paperwork and counseling in one day)
- b. Summer Bridge Format
 - i. Dr. Blonshine requested that Dr. Alvarado and VP Jones have a separate summer bridge meeting to work more collaboratively to figure out where the Summer bridge is going



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- ii. Dr. Blonshine wants input if the summer bridge will be a two-week model or a one-week summer bridge and what to focus on such as building students' self-esteem, understanding college culture, building community, and exposing students to all the resources or if they want to have math English and Math components, will be online or in person
- iii. Dr. Blonshine would like to work this with Student Services to have a team and make decisions more collectively and possibly bring previous students who attended a summer bridge before to give input
- iv. Dr. Blonshine suggested holding a two-week model in August the first week being virtual and the second week being in person with some resources on campus and providing team building
- v. Dr. Jimenez asked if there is a budget for the Summer Bridge program? Dr. Blonshine provided an estimate of twenty thousand. Dr. Jimenez suggested possibly providing an incentive to have more students participate in the Summer Bridge program
- vi. Dr. Woodward suggested opening the Summer Bridge to more students not only those in the Promise Program
- c. Updates from Instructional Specialists -G. Manikandan, S. George
 - i. G. Manikandan informed staff more students attended the JITW in winter compared to Spring; the workshops were not listed in the Compton College calendar, and she has followed up with H. Parnock
 - ii. S. George informed staff the Study Skills workshop is on the calendar but on average one person is attending; the reason might be because the workshops are being held on campus
 - iii. S. George is in the process of scheduling the Research paper boot camp and possibly holding it as a Hybrid for more students to attend
 - iv. S. George asked if there is incentive money available for students who participate if they attend two workshops and receive an incentive, Dr. Blonshine will follow up and agreed add incentive in the flyer
 - v. S. George suggested having the call center or the text messages through CRM advice to remind students their second 8-week classes are going to start soon

The Next Scheduled Meeting May 19, 2022 1:00pm/ZOOM