

President's Cabinet Meeting Minutes

April 19, 2021

1. Vaccination Site Updates: The public vaccine site we have committed to will begin, once authorized, the weekend after Commencement and run (if needed) through July 31. The Free Medical Clinic-sponsored event for RSCC students and employees is set (1st shot) for April 28 and (2nd shot) for May 26.
2. Social Worker/Social Services: Although TBR had originally thought that extension of social services to students could be implemented through the placement of a social worker at each college, the state has determined that colleges should instead work with local workforce boards to identify funding and strategies. Lisa Steffensen, Kim Harris, and Teresa Duncan will coordinate this effort with WIOA offices.
3. #RealCollege: Karen Brunner and Lisa Steffensen have submitted an application for the college to participate in a research/learning cohort with Temple University, which is the nationally recognized leader in student needs (food and housing insecurity, etc.) research. Participation will be both synchronous and asynchronous and include focus groups, surveys, and other learning opportunities for addressing student needs. If we are selected, this initiative could be a great way to assist the faculty multi-disciplinary team that is focusing on food insecurity. Two faculty members working on that project have been selected to be on the team that also includes Karen, Lisa, Jeff Tinley, and two students (one traditional and one non-traditional). The project will run from October 2021 – June 2022. We should hear about selection in July.
4. Enrollment Update: We are making progress at 9.3% down, with adults making up the uptick in enrollment. The success coaches have 666 appointments in the pipeline. Social media advertising appears to be making a positive difference.
5. SGA Elections: New SGA officers/senators are: Matthew Harvey, President-Elect; Deborah Porter, Vice-President-Elect; Kamryn Overturf, Senator-Elect; Andrew Kingsolver, Senator-Elect; and Haley Dople, Senator-Elect.
6. Expo Center: The first event was held last weekend and dates are beginning to fill for the rest of the year.