

Minutes for the ATD Meeting

November 18, 2013

The Achieving the Dream Core Team met Monday, November 18, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 124 of the Logistics Center. Those present were Shirley Armstrong, Bruce Hopkins, Emmett Griswold, Drenda Jackson-Davis, Don Laye, Calvin Lee, Michelle Lily Williams, Wendy Howell, Mendi Warren, Debra Jones, Angela Davis, Kim Lee, Aamir Greene.

The agenda for the meeting was as follows: I. Welcome, II. Old Business, III. New Business, and IV. Committee Reports.

Ms. Armstrong welcomed everyone and asked for a moment of silence in memory of J.D. Willard, a CIS instructor who died recently. She thanked Williams for leading the last meeting in her absence. Ms. Armstrong also addressed the request to change the meeting schedule and said for the time being the bi-weekly sessions would continue, citing the need for the Core Team to stay abreast of progress in the two initiatives. Don Laye made the motion to accept the minutes as presented with a second by Angela Davis. The motion passed.

Under Old Business, the topics were a COMP 1000 update and concerns. No one was present to report from the COMP 1000 subcommittee. Hopkins explained the college's current status in AtD data collection with the November 17 submission deadline met. He also informed the group that a state level person has been hired to manage the data requirements for all AtD colleges. Once our data is available, a report will be provided at the next Core Team meeting.

New Business included the Dream Conference/IFRC and an update on strategies. Data coach Jan Lyddon suggested that we consider sending a video of Aamir Greene to be shown at the Dream Conference. She also requested that our college submit a "Birds of a Feather" topic for the conference, and the Core Team decided no late registration would be a relevant focus.

Ms. Armstrong said that the three terms with staggered start dates which have been contemplated for Fall 2014 should be reconsidered. Some instructors use a B Term course as a prerequisite for a C Term class, so these two separate times are needed for sequencing. One suggestion was to keep A, B, and C dates the same and add a fourth term for fall semester, which would begin after the first two weeks and run until the end of the semester.

A discussion centered on who would be attending the Dream Conference to be held February 24-27, 2014, at the Coronado Resort, which is part of Disney World in Orlando, Florida. Those planning to attend were encouraged to register before December 1 and avoid a \$100 late fee.

Davis-Jackson distributed the finalized Start Right Student Success Map, and those present offered comments and improvements. How to measure the impact of the Start Right intervention was discussed.

No committee reports were given, and the next meeting is set for Monday, December 2. With

no further business, Ms. Armstrong adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Jones