



Academic & Student Affairs and Workforce Development Committee

CCSNH BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting of August 16th, 2016

Present: Jeremy Hitchcock, Ross Gittell, Eric Feldborg, Susan Huard, Nancy Pierce

Regrets: Steve Rothenberg, Michael Power, Anthony Poore

Phone: Paul Petritis

Others Attending: Rick Underbakke

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hitchcock at 9:10 a.m.

President Huard gave a brief update on the Nicholas J. Halias Safety Symposium, which was held at NHTI on August 11, 2016.

Meeting Minutes: March 11, 2016

VOTE: The Committee, on motion of Dr. Huard and seconded by Ms. Pierson, voted unanimously to approve the minutes of March 11, 2016 as written.

Guided Pathway Update

Dr. Gittell reported that the momentum around the Guided Pathway initiative continues to build. He gave an update on the Guided Pathway Workshop, held in April, where representatives from throughout the System learned about program mapping, corequisite remediation, and meta-majors or academic focus areas. Both Dr. Gittell and Dr. Huard provided updates on projects in Guided Pathways taking place throughout the System. One goal of this initiative is to increase retention and completion rates through stronger support through stronger onboarding, advising, and program mapping.

Dr. Gittell gave a brief update on the fifteen teams that were selected to work on Guided Pathways initiatives and the Academic Focus Areas, currently in development with the Vice Presidents of Academic Affairs. The Committee also provided suggestions for communicating these initiatives to outside audiences, such as employers and high schools. Ms. Pierce asked for information to be distributed to the College Advisory Boards.

CCSNH Symposium

Dr. Gittell reviewed the agenda for Symposium, which will include important updates on Guided Pathways. Presenters will include Julie Johnson from CCA and the team members from the Guided Pathways initiatives. Discussion followed on the onboarding process at the colleges in the System, and how students are starting on the pathway to success.

GBCC Degree Proposal

The Committee reviewed the proposal for Great Bay CC's request for a degree in Analytics Public Pathways Program, which is part of an articulation pathway with Analytics Public. Dr. Petritis joined the conversation to answer questions about online learning opportunities and the number of credits in the program.

VOTE: The Committee, on motion of Ms. Pierce and seconded by Dr. Huard, voted unanimously to approve the A.S. degree in Analytics Public Pathways Program and recommend it for approval to the Board of Trustees, provided that the total number of credits is reduced to a maximum of 60 credits.

Workforce Development and Work Based Learning

Dr. Gittell reported that the System continues to work with the National Governor's Association on this initiative, and provided an update on the Work Based Learning Seminars. The focus of this work is on individuals who are currently employed, with some or no college, as an audience to help upgrade their skills with a certificate or degree that can help them advance at work. This effort being led by Dr. Gittell and Paul Leather from the Department of Education. Ms. Beth Doiron will also be working with the Work Based Learning and WorkReadyNH.

Complete College America Update

Dr. Gittell gave a quick update on the support provided by CCA and the Guided Pathways initiatives that they continue to support, including the Guided Pathway Academy and 2016 CCSNH Symposium.

Associate Vice Chancellor Search Update

Dr. Gittell gave an overview of the application and interview process for the Associate Vice Chancellor of Finance and Strategic Planning, which has been accelerated due to the importance of the position.

Institutional Research

CCSNH has hired a Director of Analytics, Matt Magnusson. He has worked with the System in building the data warehouse. This hire will allow the System to improve institutional research.

P-Tech

Mr. Feldborg explained the P-Tech program in high schools, where participating students have an accelerated course load and are paired with a mentor, at no cost to the student. This program is collaboration between a high schools, community colleges, and businesses to help students. Dr. Gittel reported on a recent meeting with businesses and schools in the Northern region. Discussion followed on possible partnerships that could exist in different regions of New Hampshire.

No additional business was brought forward, and the meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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