

## **Minutes from the AALT meeting**

**February 18, 2016**

Those present at the meeting: William Heineman, Sharon McDermot, Mary Farrell, Nancy Julin, Kimberly Burns, Dawna Perez, Janice Rogers, Sharon Wolff, Judith Zubrow, Carolyn Knoepfler, Kelly Sullivan, Michael Hearn, Grace Young, Donna Bertolino, Lori Weir, Tina Favara and Revathi O'Neal.

We discussed the Mass Transfer Pathway project. Bill provided some background on the Math and the Mass Transfer Pathways projects. The goal is to get an associate's degree and then the student seamlessly transfer to a four year school as a junior. To date there have been faculty involved in this project review work in the following disciplines: Chemistry, Biology, Political Science, Psychology, History and Economics. We went through an example using history. In theory these pathways should lead to a successful transfer. There are 10 more areas for this year.

Grace discussed the history pathway and then she shared that if a new course is created a syllabus is no longer sent out. She also discussed the BIO program and how the pathway needs to change to match what our students take.

We need feedback from faculty by late April. Janice raised the issue of work to rule and asking faculty to review these changes. Kim asked if there will be an assessment of how this transfer pathway works. Judy raised the issue of Political Science classes that are not supported by the pathways which may lead to under-enrollment and then cancellation.

The Academic Master Plan: between February 29<sup>th</sup> and April 8<sup>th</sup> there will be a variety of sessions for input and then a core group will take the ideas and map out a plan. The mid-April send out a plan for input and the project will be complete by the end of the Spring semester.

Kelly Sullivan asked for clarification about budget requests.

Grace passed out a brochure and she discussed the 100% Tuition waiver program.

Kim shared that there are two more weather-proofing opportunities through CIT

Lori announced that Adam Cutler will be her Assistant Director. Concurrent enrollment program is getting ready to sign agreements which will yield more than 1000 students. Lori wants to brand and name the program and is asking for input. There is professional development for faculty and they are looking at library services. Grace asked where the high school students will be placed in Degree Works so students can see pathways to a degree and could be part of Starfish also.