

Strategic Goal #4 – Workshop Subcommittee

Monday, June 3, 2013

SC103B

2:30 – 3:30 PM

Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Ashley Bragger, Dawna Perez, Nora Sheridan, Mike Markham, Christine DeRosa, and Gisela Nash

Updates:

- Mike updated the team on the long version of John Holland's self-directed search. The group decided it was way too overwhelming for students. Mike described the design of the shortened version used at NECC. As a whole, we found this tool to be outdated and limiting in terms of newer occupations. Mike also found that students have issues defining terms used in the test.
- Gisela joined the meeting today to update the team on the Student Success Center's use of MBTI
 - Institutionally, we are investing more in Strengths and DiSC and we are trying to determine how faculty use SQ in their classroom and how it can be offered to students individually
 - We know that MBTI is inexpensive to test students but expensive to train. Gisela's department has last year, for the first time, had to buy new materials
 - Karletty is attending a career development conference in July. She will report back to the team about what other colleges are using for career assessment tools and we can move forward from there with our decision. She will also be trained in SQ and DiSC in July.
- Mike and Ashley updated the team about the Student Professional Day Conference at Middlesex Community College which was a fabulous opportunity for students. Dina Brown ran something similar (a series of workshops) last year during our faculty and staff professional day. She reported that it was very well attended. Now, we need to figure out a way to expand on these ideas and make them more wide reaching for students.
- We discussed how to update our workshop offerings and how to keep topics culturally relevant.
- The team spent time critiquing and revising the workshop pamphlet.
- The team decided that by our next meeting we should have begun to schedule and book rooms for the CPAC workshop series, making sure the schedule does not conflict with other scheduled workshops. All workshop offerings, descriptions, and dates should be finalized by early August. Once booked, we can schedule facilitators including local employers and community members.

Next Meeting:

- By our next meeting the CPAC workshop series should be scheduled.
- We will begin to look at workshop titles and descriptions, as well as who will facilitate.

Things to Do

Ashley will set up a meeting with Dina Brown about a Student Professional Day Conference at NECC.

Ashley will work on scheduling the CPAC workshops

Dawna and Nora will approve the schedule before Ashley books the rooms

Ashley will update the workshop pamphlet based on feedback from the team.

Ashley will reach out to Andrea in MARCOM about posting the workshop to the website once completed

Nora will talk to Dina about the best times and days to schedule our workshops series

Dawna and Christine will brainstorm more creative ideas for titles and descriptions

The team will continue to think about ways to enhance the workshop titles and descriptions in order to make them sound more interesting to students.

Next Meeting Date:

Monday, June 17, 2013 from 2:30 – 3:30 PM, SC103B