



## Student Services Council March 25, 2014 Meeting Notes

### Present:

Carmilla Rollins, Chad Meadors, Darren Schwegler, Heather Woodridge, Heidi Hamer, Jenny Smith, Justin Ford, Kami Collette, Kara McElroy, Kelly Johnsen, Kristy Enser, Margit Brumbaugh, Mary Kate Morgan, Meghan Evans, Sandie St. Onge, and Lisa Matye Edwards, Chair

**Not Present:** Aaron McNabb, Angel Ruvalcaba, Anna Brodt, Ashley Bemm, ASLCC representative, Betty Sjoblom, Bill Josh, Breanne Bok, Brian Isbell, Brian Sharp, Bryan Bales, Crystal Heitz, Eddie Smith, Grady Tweit, Harlan Cruser, Jennifer Houge, Jessi Hanna, Jim Roffler, Jodi Dahlke, Judith Chapar, Karla Rivers, Kirc Roland, Leszek Cromwell, Linda Wilson, Lupe Rodriguez, Lynn Lawrence, Maggie Stewart, Marcy Gilchrist, Marisa Geier, Megan Wiggins, Micah McKee, Nichole Seroshek, Nicole Walker, Ronda Manick, Roxana Ahmadifard, Shalaina Joiner, Shannon Wachob, Stephanie Ruvalcaba, Steven Chapman, Tamra Bell, Traci Fuller, and Traci Hilligoss

**Guests:** Angela Dahlke

### ➤ **Updates from Lisa:**

- **Gmail for students** is coming and will be discussed further at the next SSC meeting. LCC is transitioning from Outlook to an Educational Google service for student emails. Initially the Gmail addresses will be assigned to new students (as of May new student orientations). Current students will be transitioned in September. By college policy, all college communications will be transacted electronically, so students will need to check their accounts regularly.
- **150% Loan rule** initiated by the Federal government will set a lifetime limit of three years for two-year degree loans.
- **ctclink** is up and running at the first wave colleges and LCC will go live in May of 2015.
- **Real Hope Act – SB 6523** was recently passed by state Legislature and will add an additional five million to the total State Need Grant pool, specifically for the group of students addressed by **HB 1079**. Additional information will be available during a session planned for the upcoming WSSSC conference in Tacoma.
- Work activity and **process mapping** will be covered at the next SSC meeting, including steps and barriers.
- Student services staff in general are very busy during the “break” with grades, academic warning, probation, and suspension activities. Faculty will return on April 3-4 and classes start again on April 7.
- **First year seminar** changes are coming, including a change from three quarters to two.
- **Commencement** is scheduled for Friday, June 20. There will be lots of opportunities to volunteer. Let Lisa know if you would like to be included in this wonderful opportunity to celebrate the success of our students.

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- Big changes are coming to our **health coverage**, so pay close attention to email messages coming from Samantha Orth.

➤ **Around the Table:**

- **Carmilla Rollins** – The graduation application deadline for spring quarter is April 30.
- **Heidi Hamer** – Orientations for Opportunity Grant applications will be starting on April 17.
- **Jenny Smith** – A career workshop is scheduled for April 24 from 10 to 3.
- **Kami Collette** – High school visitations are underway, including rural outreach in Oregon.
- **Kara McElroy** – Spring online applications are now receiving responses for summer quarter as it is now past the cutoff to apply for spring quarter.
- **Kristy Enser** – Performance testing will begin in September and links are going live in August for prep activities. Leads and contacts are being identified.
- **Margit Brumbaugh** – The China trip is just around the corner. A fall cohort of up to 30 new students may be anticipated.
- **Sandie St. Onge** – Fifteen rooms have been reserved for the WSSSC conference in Tacoma next month. There are currently 25 staff members registered to attend. Recent changes by our state Legislature will allow all veterans and their dependents to attend as residents, regardless of the length of time they have physically been in Washington. The date this new bill SB 3518 becomes effective has not yet been determined.

The next Student Services Council meeting is scheduled for **April 22, 2014**.