College Council

April 20, 2021 | 3:00pm – 5:00pm | Zoom

DRAFT MINUTES

Members Present:
☒Branstad, Jenni
☒Bukair, Sara
☐Chin, Jacob
☐Dwyer, Johnny
☒Edgar, Christine
☒Edwards Lange, Sheila
☒Ferris, Lincoln
☒Harden, Yoshiko
☒Harris, Adria

☒Lane, Bradley
☒Lipscomb, La Shonda
☒Nakamura, Gina
☒Relatado, Blaine
☒Roque, Alex
☒Rutherford, Kay
☐Ryan, Julia
☐Kiani, Zara for Selfe, Robert
☒Tang, Alexander

☒Thomas, Carey
☒Thurston, Emily
☐Whitsitt, Joni
☒Wilkie, Dawnelle
☒Williams, Willie
☒Yazici, Ton

Agenda Items:
Zoom Etiquette
Carey Thomas

Land Acknowledgment
Christine Edgar

Welcome & Opening Activity

Approve College Council meeting minutes from March 2021
Approved by 7

District College Council
AH-The proposed District Council has been approved by the Chancellor and the executive cabinet. The next step would be to elect members to District College Council. Each college will elect one faculty, one exempt staff, one classified staff, one student representative, and one representative from the College Council.

A description of district college Council will go out to the campus community and a call for volunteers to serve on the council. The Chancellor’s office has requested that names be submitted in May. Chancellor Pan’s office will schedule a meeting in June for the District College Council.

Budget 101-SEL

Reserve policy
Seattle Central was building reserves from international student enrollment. For the last three years, Central has been spending down those reserves as international enrollments have declined.

The Board of Trustees sets the reserve policy for the institution and is asking what is the appropriate amount of funds needed in reserve. A decision was not made but since all three campuses build budgets
differently a common method of building budgets is needed and with the help of CtcLink will begin next year. Next, three-year plan to balance budgets and by the end have a balanced budget without using one-time only funding. A group will be created to look at the reserve policy that aligns with the national standards.

**District wide deficit and 3-year plan**
There is a 14.4-million-dollar deficit. The Board has agreed to adopt the current budget that is balanced with one time only federal stimulus funding. The Board wants to see reductions by the end of three-year period and a balanced budget that is not using one-time only funds.

In the long-term, not rely on international enrollment, making permanent reductions across all three colleges and acting as a district instead of individual campuses.

**Nominees for Co-Chair-AH**
Nominations will be presented to President Cabinet and the co-chair will be announced at June College Council meeting.

**Nominations**
LaShonda Lipscomb
Alex Tang

**General College Updates from Council Members**

**College Council Workgroup Updates**

**Resource Allocation-BL**
The principles have been delivered. It was requested that they present best practices for reserve policies.

**Critical Issues-YH**
After serval attempts to reach out to departments and partners to conduct student focus groups, none of the groups responded. The decision was made not to push the focus groups this year but partner and existing projects.

Possible projects to support:
- Guided Pathways and their student voice committee. The committee has ongoing focus groups with students to see what issues are coming up and how we can respond more quickly or support their work.
- All gender restroom task force and where the project is currently as college returns to the building.
- Working with ASC on the Aunt Flow project providing organic menstrual cycle product in all restrooms on campus.

**Strategic Planning-JB**
Since the last meeting the group worked with the guided pathways student voices group and made a campus wide call for feedback on the strategic plan. The final plan was sent to the council for review and approval.

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End 4:30 pm