## COUNCIL FOR FACULTY ADVISING MEETING Monday, November 2, 2020 Zoom Meeting 9:00 - 10:00 AM

**Members:** Debra Jackson, Marta Ruiz (Admin Support), Anna Jacobsen, Anne Duran, BreAnna Evans Santiago, Jeremy Woods, Joel Haney, Karlo Lopez, Kris Grappendorf, Kyle Susa, Mary Slaughter, Melissa Danforth, Patrick O'Neill, Pratigya Sigdyal, Tzu-Fen Chang, Zachary Zenko

## Guest: Jaimi Paschal

## Action Items:

The next meeting will be used as an open conversation to have these discussions and possibly do some planning after that.

The meeting began at 9:02 AM

D. Jackson welcomes and thanks everyone attending.

D. Jackson states the group is moving along with the Council for faculty advising, she is excited about the progress that has been made in terms of identifying some goals for this group.

The first was a conversation with the Inside Track about what kind of workshops would be useful for faculty advisors, those are scheduled and rolling out, everyone should have received an invitation. There are two options for the times for the Emergency Career Coaching Workshop that will be held on November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

The second is the Difficult Conversations Workshop which will be held on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020, there is only one option for this workshop.

Jackson has invited everyone that's part of the Council for Faculty Advising and the chair of every department, as there is room for 25 participants and this group is smaller, we may get to the 25 participants limit this way.

**NEXT STEPS** – Jackson wants to follow through with the request for training on technical systems that we have. How to effectively use PeopleSoft and all the different windows available for advising. This summer there was a soft launch for RunnerConnect, which is software from EAB Navigate, this is an upgraded version of GradesFirst. Jamie Paschal joined the group today to do a demo of RunnerConnect and give us a sense of what it can do. We hope to have everyone using RunnerConnect, this way we have a single source for advising, everyone is communicating effectively and we can develop holistic wraparound services especially towards advising but also other kinds of student support services for all of our undergraduate students. At this point we are not pursuing the idea of using RunnerConnect for Graduate students, it seems to be a very different population and RunnerConnect does not fit at this point.

Jackson mentions she invited members to participate in the Student Success Analytics, Pro certificate program, it is a six-month program, you meet about once a month, and is run by the Chancellor's Office. It's used to help faculty, staff, and administrators better understand how to use the data that we have to identify where our students Success indicators are, whether that be for

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- their path through the university when they change majors
- What kinds of courses have bottlenecks
- High DFW rates
- Where they go after they graduate
- How many of them go to graduate school or professional Schools afterward

It has a lot of information. Jackson says as we are looking to move the needle around equity gaps this year it's effective and she thought this group would be a great group to join the program, Dr. Cantrell, in Enrollment Management will be leading that cohort, the program will start in January and will end in May 2021.

**<u>RunnerConnect</u>** – Jaime Paschal states she will show the group the highlights and then ask them where they might see utilizing this software. Some pieces of this software are not yet built, one of them being analytics, which she believes will be helpful, and another multiple carry unit on our campus. It was just launched to tutoring and advising, but by the end of the year, we'll have the Veteran Center, Project Rebound, and Onboard, by Spring we will have the remainder of the care units on board.

EAB does navigate our current software, it is linked directly to your Outlook and google calendar and email, we now have it linked to OnBase, we can pull up student documents from RunnerConnect as long as you have the application up and running in the background.

The group discussed RunnerConnect as Jaime Paschal completed the virtual presentation.

D. Jackson says that before they move forward, they need to have a conversation about exactly how they want to move forward with coordinating between faculty and staff advising and discuss all of the various concerns that the group has before they do anything moving forward. The next meeting will be used as an open conversation to have these discussions and possibly do some planning after that.

Jackson thanks Jaimi Paschal for the presentation and says she will set up a time for us to meet in about a month.

Adjourned: 10:06 AM