

Student Affairs Council
Wednesday, February 8, 2017
SUB Missouri Room
9:00am
Facilitator: Stephanie Cowen
Minutes

In attendance: Joe Oravec, Heather Eggum, Becky Lyons, Tammi Watson, Kathy Kotecki, Stephanie Cowen, Trudy Carey, Emily Williamson, Darla Tyler-McSherry, Kelly Buck, Kristin Peterman, Dan Benge, Jeff Rosenberry, Claudia Janecek, Bob Hoar, Chancellor Larsen, Mary Susan Fishbaugh, Aaron Murrish, Rob Kirby, Abby Cook, Adam Karlin, Ashley Baker, John Gillette

1. Stephanie Cowen welcomed Chancellor Larsen and Provost Hoar. Introductions were made.
2. Cabinet, et. al. update
 - a. Chancellor Larsen led a discussion regarding the care and compassion he has seen around campus, supporting international students, and seeing success with retention initiatives.
 - b. Dr. Hoar spoke regarding John Gardner visit in August and the regroup held in January. At the January meeting discussion was held regarding the 12 initiatives and moving forward.
 - c. Joe sent the SSI questions developed at the Directors' Working Meeting to Michael Barber. *Follow-up: Michael Barber will be sending a Qualtrics Survey to both Academic Affairs and Student Affairs for further vetting of questions.*
 - d. Joe and Bob are hosting open office hours every Monday, 11:30-1, McM 209 to discuss initiatives for Retention.
 - e. The Chancellor asked Sarah Brockel to develop a marketing group. Tammi Watson and Stephanie Cowen are representing student affairs.
 - f. Spring 2017 enrollment was discussed.
3. Academic Boot Camp (Kelly)

Kelly Buck reported the ABC camp was redesigned this year. It is a 10-week program, 2 days a week. A math teacher is onsite and online. Open to new students and students who have need continued support. Please see attachment for summer 2017 details.
4. Love Your Enemy, Dialogue Across Differences:

Kristin Peterman reported Hannah Baley and Rob Kirby are developing courses and facilitating discussions of hot topics. The first topic is gun use. It will be held on Wed, February 15, 12pm in the Beartooth Room.
5. Student Leadership Market Thursday, February 16 ,10-12 LA Building.

Kristin Peterman discussed the employment opportunities at the Student Leadership Market.
6. Save the Date: Leadership Recognition Program: Tuesday April 11th Billings Depot 5:30pm-Kristin Peterman
7. International Studies (Abby Cook)
 - a. Immigration Regulations Update – MSUB Awareness. Abby reported that MSUB International Studies is taking a proactive position on immigration issues. Students are encouraged to be good students and diligent in their actions. A meeting was held last Friday with Chancellor, Joe and Bob, 60+ international students attended. If students come to any faculty or staff with questions please refer them to International Studies.
 - b. International Student Peer Mentor Program

Academic Support Center and International Studies are working together to develop this program. ASC is helping students upon their arrival with a peer-mentoring program. Discussion followed.
 - c. MSUB Showcase for NWC-Powell, WY international students – Feb. 18-19. 22 students from Northwest

College in Powell, WY come to Billings monthly to shop and experience "City" life. MSUB will be hosting these students on Feb. 18-19. Students will tour our campus and stay in the residence halls. It is a recruitment effort to encourage transferring to MSUB after their two years a community college.

- d. International Food Fair will be held on Thurs., March 16. Please encourage attendance and purchase advance ticket sales.
- e. International students are encouraged to keep a copies of their I-20 and Passport with them when leaving campus. They have telephone numbers of campus staff if they have problems.
- f. The international students appreciate the MSUB faculty and staff listening to their concerns.

8. Staffing updates (Everyone)

Jenni Randall (OCI) will be leaving. Jenni will be working for the nonprofit "Dress for Success"

McKenna Kramer is the new Tour Coordinator/Info Desk Coordinator for New Student Services

9. Additions:

-Winter Preview Day will be held on Friday, Feb. 17.

-MSUB will be at the MATE Show Feb. 17,18,19

-Adam Karlin ROTC will be going to Kyrgyzstan, Ashley Baker is his replacement

-The next FAFSA workshop will be held in COE, Wed. February 15, 5:30-7:30

-Kathy Kotecki is developing fun ways to get students registered early for fall; more information to follow.

-Kristin Peterman reported the search for the Campus Store Director failed.

Reminders/Announcements:

Next SAC Team Meeting is Wednesday, March 1, 2017

Meeting Facilitator is Becky Lyons