

## President's Cabinet Meeting (8/1/2017)

Collin Witherspoon, Executive Director of Decision Analytics and Institutional Research, started the conversation with a presentation on enrollment data. He looked at students who enrolled the last week of the semester and the students who enrolled before the last week and contrasted their success rates. The data showed that students who enrolled before the last week of the semester were more successful.

Collin's data was shown to the Completion Committee. Melissa Hightower, Director of the Success Center, has been tasked with bringing a recommendation to the committee.

Dr. Russell Lowery Hart presented the SENSE (Survey of Entering Student Engagement) data. The SENSE is a function of the Center for Community College Student Engagement. **AC scored higher than the 2017 CCCSE Cohort in all areas: Active and Collaborative Learning, Student Effort, Academic Challenge, Student-Faculty Interaction, and Support for Learners. This data shows a dramatic increase from where we were several years ago when we were lower than the cohort in all areas.** To put it another way, YOUR EFFORTS ARE PAYING OFF! Thank you for your hard work to help our students succeed.

We discussed changing the format of the No Excuses 2020 Committee. Many employees like attending these meetings to find out what is going on. We talked about opening up the meeting and inviting any employee who wants to attend. Lyndy Forrester, Vice President of EOD, volunteered to organize and communicate the meetings. The purpose of the No Excuses 2020 meetings will be informative and used as a communication tool.

Lyndy Forrester recommended a policy change in the Administrative and Classified Employee Handbook. As the policy stands today, AC part-time employees are not considered internal applicants when a job is posted internally for five days. The new policy would allow AC part-time employees to be considered for full-time jobs at AC as an internal applicant. Bob Austin, Vice President of Student Affairs, motioned to approve the policy change and Dr. Tamara Clunis, Vice President of Academic Affairs, seconded the proposed policy change.

Mark White proposed to proceed with a grant application from the Governor's Office for protective body armor for the AC Police. Lyndy Forrester motioned to approve the grant application and it was seconded by Kevin Ball, Vice President of Communications and Marketing.

Bob Austin gave an enrollment update and fall enrollment is up. Thank you for your work and keep it up!

We had to put the coffee on the back burner to get the Amarillo College Medi-Park Campus-Hagy Center for Young Children finished. Now that the new campus is complete, the construction of Palace Coffee in the CUB will become a priority. The renovations for the new coffee shop are expected to be completed in September.

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