

Deans Council
Minutes October 10, 2019
Ware Student Commons 207, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Members Present: Tina Babb, Becky Burton, Becky Easton, Daniel Esquivel, David Hall, Frank Sobey, Renee Vincent, Edie Carter, Kim Crowley, Toni Gray, Carol Buse, Jeannie George

Others Present: Toni Van Dyke

Members Absent: Tamara Clunis, Linda Munoz

Success 360 Debrief – Becky Burton

Becky Easton bragged on the fantastic job Pam Ortega did at Success 360. Pam took the words used to make poetry and put them on the floor for students to make a poem. The student with the best poem won a prize. The deans discussed the highlights of the event and what they felt were the biggest attractions. Becky Burton felt two nights was too much to ask of faculty. Next year, Parent night, AEL, and GED will be offered in one night.

Pass after 7 Weeks – Becky Burton

Students and faculty are exhausted but are doing well. Several students have dropped, but overall, students are showing dedication and hanging in. Each dean shared how things were going in their areas.

Faculty Nominees for ATD Request – Frank Sobey

For general assembly, we had two representatives from ATD who serve at other Higher Ed institutions. They observed our communities and how we interact with the data. Leading up to that event, they had met with several groups of faculty, academic leadership, and administrators to learn more about Amarillo College with the goal of assisting us with the development of the No Excuses 20/25 strategic plan. Two of the four-person team was unable to come due to bad weather. However, the two members who missed will visit Amarillo College on November 19-20, 2019, one of their focuses at that time will be to learn more about our approach to pathways through communities. Deans who are over communities or who have faculty representation within a community were given a homework assignment of finding 3-4 faculty nominees from within each community the deans are over. The nominees need to be a cross representation of the programs within that community. The ATD representatives will visit with each of the nominated faculty members during their visit to Amarillo College. The homework assignment is due via email to Frank Sobey and Becky Burton on Wednesday, October 16, 2019.

Pathways 2.0 – Becky Burton

Becky read a letter from Texas Pathways, it read as follows “As a member of one plus, by the end of round one, AC should have implemented all or nearly all essential practices to scale. By the end of round two, we will evaluate and improve implantations, strengthen Pathways from high school and adult education. As well as pathways to universities and employment and institutionalized pathways related program review, ongoing improvement, professional development, and communications.”

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Underground Update and Tour

The soft opening of the underground is scheduled to open on October 28, 2019, and the grand opening is scheduled for November 5, 2019.

Faculty and staff can schedule rooms through their Outlook.