

# **DVR Meeting**

## **November 12, 2013**

### **Health Careers Minutes**

Members Present: Dr. Hughes (Triton), Jen Miller (Proviso East), Kathy Peterson (Riverside Brookfield), Dana Dismeier (Leyden), Pat Godziszewski (Leyden), Valarie Berger (Leyden)

#### **1. Dual Credit**

- a. Dr. Hughes discussed some of the dual credit programs at Triton. The dual credit courses tend to start around 5p to accommodate the students' high school schedules.
- b. High school students may earn their A.S. thru Triton, and then they can earn the B.S. in 12-15 months through Benedictine or Governor's State while still attending Triton. The tuition is very affordable and the location is very convenient for our students.

#### **2. New Building**

- a. The renovations should be starting soon for the new allied health building – building H. The new Health Sciences Center will be designed like traditional medical buildings with state of the art learning centers and observation areas.
- b. The building is due to open in the Fall of 2015.

#### **3. College Readiness**

- a. The group discussed the issues when high school students need to take developmental courses before they can take their credited math and English courses. This is not only frustrating to the students, but may discourage them from completing their degree.
- b. Dr. Hughes discussed the possibility of offering these developmental courses at the high schools to help students get back on track for their college career.

#### **4. Programs of Study**

- a. The link for the Programs of Study website is <http://dvr-efe.info/>
- b. There are several "Programs of Study" links on the DVR website. It was suggested to somehow highlight this link to make it easier to find.
- c. Another suggestion was to push the link out to the students. Perhaps Leyden could add it as an icon on the Chromebooks.
- d. Another possibility was working towards all students having a "Program of Study" that could be revised as they change paths during their high school careers.

#### **5. New Program of Study**

- a. Dr. Hughes is currently working on a new program of study for and Occupational Therapy Assistant.
- b. She discussed the credentialing process, and is optimistic that this will be approved for the allied health department.