

April 28, 2017

DVR Student Services Committee Meeting Minutes:

Attendees: *Mike Reingruber, Linda Alvarez, Alison Till, Stephanie Nix, Rolando Martinez, Emily Wine, Anne Cothran, Marijana Uremovic, Sandra Berryhill, Sarah Ven Horst, Gretchen Selzer, Jameta Rodgers*

2016-17 Goals:

1. Continue increasing communication between high schools and Triton College with a focus on Dual Credit.
2. Continue receiving career related professional development through roundtable discussions from industry professionals and using that information to help guide our students.
3. Continue to use and promote Programs of Study with our students.
4. Further develop a relationship with the Explorers program to help maximize our student's exposure to local career posts and giving them career related opportunities.

Topics for Roundtables next year:

Some areas we discussed were learning more information and having someone present on the trades, mainly electrician, plumbing, HAVAC, and welding. We also talked about the popularity of students talking to us about programs such as cosmetology, nutrition, and dental hygiene. All are areas we would like to learn more information about.

Connections Conference:

Two of our counselors went and they were fairly disappointed with the conference. They said many of the topics that were geared toward counselors were cancelled at the last minute. They did say the keynote speaker was great, but the overall information relevant to counselors was not great.

Building Updates:

Ridgewood went on a field trip to TMA and thought it was great. They felt it was very eye opening for their students. They took mainly juniors.

Oak Park will be offering a new nursing class on campus next year called Fundamentals of Nursing.

West Leyden took all of their freshman on a different college experience. They were divided up to tour 12 different colleges, including community colleges, based on what their major/career interests were.

AP Exams are currently going on at all schools.

Manufacturing Day at Triton Next Year

Everyone is excited about the potential of this day. The two Leydens just need to get approval because they aren't supposed to take field trips on Fridays.

Chairperson for next year:

Mike is the only one on the committee that applied for the chairperson position for next year. Waiting on board approval in May.

Goals for Next year:

1. Continue to increase communication between high schools and Triton College with a focus on Dual Credit.
2. Continue receiving career related professional development through roundtable discussions from industry professionals and using that information to help guide our students.
3. Increase counselor knowledge and exposure for our students interested in the trades.
4. Increase experiential learning (site visits) opportunities for counselors/staff to attend and bring information back to their students.

Triton Updates:

Placement testing is taking place at the individual schools.

There is an open house featuring career programs on Saturday, May 6th.

Dual Credit Updates:

Application is now available on online!

There are also new dual credit verification forms.

The fall schedule is also available.

There were positive reports from the dual credit summit.