# September 28, 2018 DVR Student Services Committee Meeting Minutes:

**Attendees:** Mike Reingruber, Linda Alvarez, Marijana Uremovic, Stephanie Nix, Carla Williams, Emily Alexenko, Sandra Berryhill, Rolando Martinez, Brandi Ambrose, Allison Till

## **Upcoming Meeting Dates for 2018-19**

October 19, 2018 November 16, 2018 December 14, 2018 January 18, 2019 February 8, 2019 March 8, 2019 April 12, 2019

### 2018-19 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. Explore additional/new college and career software solutions (i.e. Xello) that may be more beneficial for our students..
- 4. Increase counselor knowledge and exposure for students interested in the trades by taking part in experiential learning (site visits) opportunities for counselors, staff, and students.

# **Triton Field Trip Feedback**

We discussed everyone's experience on the Triton Field Trips for Manufacturing, Auto, Computer Information Sciences, and Health Science). Everyone received mixed feedback, some really enjoyed it and others thought it was just ok. For example, the Auto portion was very short (only 20 minutes for some schools), while other programs went the whole hour. Everyone did feel there was supposed to be more talk about those industries and less talk about pushing Triton's programs or applying to Triton. Overall there was more positive feedback than negative, but certainly some things to still work on.

# **Apprenticeship Information**

Anne forwarded an email regarding many different apprenticeship programs, in many different areas. The entire committee found this information extremely useful.

# **Carpenter Apprenticeship Tour**

We discussed this tour being available primarily on Thursdays and the committee will be emailing me potential Thursday dates that work for them, to get together and arrange a tour for our group. Is this only for counselors or counselors and students? Mike will email the contact and find out more details.

#### Illinois Transitional Math Requirement Webinar

We discussed watching this webinar and then coming back and watching it in our departments at our individual schools, as you suggested. Is this something we need to do as a DVR group? We all said we would rather just partake in it one time in our individual schools. Sandra did a great job explaining the changes that will be made and offering students the opportunity to start at the 101 level with a support course, instead of starting in remedial. The thought process is trying to give students a leg up on

finishing their degree, because students who start in remedial often don't finish because there is no credit and it eats up their financial aid.

# **Meeting Exit Slip**

I emailed and mentioned to all of our committee members that a meeting exit slip must be completed after each meeting.

## **Triton Updates:**

Rolando stated there is a new VP for Student Affairs and may have a breakfast for counselors to meet this person in November.

There is a High School Senior event on October 8th that we are all promoting in our schools.

Sandra stated that October is student affairs month and there are a number of programs going on to help student. There are academic planning workshops and career services. She provided a link that has a pdf for each of the events they are offering.

## **Building Updates:**

Marijana stated Leyden hosted a Trades Fair that took place over multiple periods and was a huge success. Kids were able to sign up to learn about various trades thru Naviance.

Marijana and Mike discussed the National Guard event that took place on September 11th and both expressed how great the event was.

## **Dual Credit Updates:**

Tim Nystrom was not in attendance, but will be added to the invite list for upcoming meetings. The question was brought up, when classes will be available for spring.