September 20, 2019 DVR Student Services Committee Meeting Minutes:

Attendees: Mike Reingruber, Brandi Ambrose, Rafaella Adler, Carla Williams, Marijana Uremovic, Alison Till, Linda Alvarez, Sandra Berryhill, Jim Gyori, Emily Alexenko, Timothy Nystrom

Upcoming Meeting Dates for 2019-20

October 11, 2019 November 22, 2019 December 13, 2019 January 24, 2020 February 21, 2020 March 13, 2020 April 24, 2020

2019-20 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.

Goals for the Year

Listed above

Triton Field Trips

Some counselors were aware and of the manufacturing, health careers, auto, computer science field trips at Triton coming up. Others were not. Each school handles the organizing of these trips differently. Some do it in the Applied Arts department, others the counselors handle, and others it is combined.

October 4--School/College Alliance Workshop at McDonald's Hamburger U

Counselors from Leyden, Proviso West, and RB are attending

Counseling Conference at Elk Grove Apprenticeship Center

Counselors are very interested in a potential trip, as indicated by Johnetta the week of November 11, but have not received any additional information. Counselors would prefer to drive themselves and get reimbursed mileage, as opposed to taking a bus as a group. The other question that was brought up, is could more than one counselor from a school attend?

Union Rep Meetings

Anne brought to our attention monthly union meetings, where different representatives are reporting updates on their particular union. Our committee would love to send a counselor or two to meetings each month to learn more about what is going on with the unions presented. We just need more info as to how to get invited to these meetings.

School Surveys:

I spoke to all schools about the surveys and who still needs to have students complete.

IBEW Training Facility

We are going to invite Harry come to an upcoming meeting to describe his facility and then will hopefully do a counselor trip down to the facility in Alsip.

Building Updates:

Ledyen East and West just had a trade fair

Ridgewood has a Career Expo in March

Elmwood Park has a Career Fair Oct 17

RB had senior meetings and kids were able to sign up and learn about careers

Triton Updates:

New director of admissions--Ken Smith kensmith@triton.edu

Advisors see Freshman up to 30 credits

Counselors work with students to help complete programs and work with students not reaching stands of academic progress.

They are currently looking for 2 people to help Daniella.

The counselors would really like to see Future Focus return.

Dual Credit Updates:

They are looking to update the application

There is conversation about placement exam policy

They are looking to create hyperlinks for the master list of courses at each high school, that has all the necessary info.