

February 21, 2020
DVR Student Services Committee Meeting Minutes:

Attendees: *Mike Reingruber, Alison Till, Linda Alvarez, Jim Gyori, Sandra Berryhill, Emily Alexenko, Stephanie Nix, Sarah Wurster, Marijana Uremovic, Tim Nystrom*

Upcoming Meeting Dates for 2019-20

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.

Illinois CTE Counselor Academy Webinar

- Counselors from Proviso reported on the Comprehensive Needs Assessment Webinar. They said the webinar discussed the purpose of needs assessment, talking about equity gaps and how to fill achievement gaps. It said programs should be run based on data and there should be grant writing that takes place. It spoke about data gathered based on race, gender, etc.

High Tech Apprenticeship Workshop--Elgin--March 18

This information was emailed to all counselors and discussed at our meeting. A couple of counselors seemed interested in attending.

Perkins Strategy Plan--Career Development Activities to Improve our programs, student participation, attainment of dual credit, increase work based learning, etc.

Anne asked us to discuss these items and see what our group would recommend to improve these areas. Sarah W was very helpful in discussing this with us, as well since she has been involved in these discussions in the AC meetings. Our group would like grant money to be allocated for more site visits, for work based learning, for both counselors and students. Technology programs such as Naviance and YouScience have become staples of our counseling programs and money allocated toward these things would be good. There are two major conferences that our group would like to attend if grant money allows. One is the ACTE conference and the other is the NCPN conference. To increase dual credit, we felt some workshops for students and schools to learn more about dual credit, as well as transportation from the home school to Triton would be very helpful.

Triton Updates:

Sandra B reported they are working through guided pathways and looking at narrowing the pathways, and having some cohorts starting together. She said there is a big push on campus for Culture, Welcome, and Care, with a major focus on Care.

Dual Credit Updates:

Tim reported a lot of very impressive numbers about the number of dual credit courses students have taken and the amount of money saved for these students exceeded \$1 million dollars this year. He said he will send out a dual credit enrollment fact sheet at the end of the year. The online application guide has been updated. He also said that he is going out to some of the schools to perform workshops regarding dual credit. He said there is also a very good dual credit workshop/summitt at Moraine Valley on April 2nd.

DVR Program Committee Advisory Exit Slip:

Mike reminded everyone to be sure to complete this exit slip, at the completion of the meeting.