

Basic Skills Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2021 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Type of Meeting: Regular

Please Review/Bring: Agenda will be distributed prior to meeting

Committee Members:

See Attendance Sheet

Riley Dwyer, R&L Dean, Heidi Williams, Morenike Adebayo-Ige, Jane Bowers, Wendy Rider, Tiffany Castillejo, lana Deplazes, James Dorn, Crystal Ellis, Vanessa Escobar, Diane Flores-Kagan, Tino Garcia, Michelle Hernandez, Rashall Hightower-Stickel, D. Scott Jenison, Vejea Jennings, Tyrone Mettler, Tamira Palmetto, Wade Saari, LaDonna Trimble, Dr. Erin Vines, Jill Zimmerman

Items	Person	Action
I. Welcome/Announcements	W. Rider J. Bowers	 Issues Discussed: This is the second meeting of the Fall 2021 Semester. In Dean Dwyer's absence, BSC Co-Chairs Jane Bowers and Wendy Rider led today's meeting and served as moderators.
II. Early Alert System	All	 Issues Discussed: The Early Alert System is in need of a change and BSC has been working on this need. Will create the Early Support System, a program designed to reach out to students in need of additional academic support. Plan is to use a system already in place (Advocate system). In Advocate, Faculty can submit a report requesting academic intervention for students.

- o Faculty can select from Academic, emotional, physical, other
- It is possible to create additional drop down options.
- Once these are input into the system, they can be assigned which faculty member or supervising staff needs to take action.
- o It would be beneficial to use the Advocate system because it is something we already use and is familiar.
- O H. William/L. Trimble:
 Would we need all
 instructors of students to
 get an alert when a student
 is struggling in one course?
 It would not be feasible
 because it could create
 prejudice of the student
 among other instructors.
- M. Hernandez/ V. Escobar:
 Add options of students to join/refer to peer mentor.
 Also add an option to see your counselor/change ed-plan.
- E. Vines: Major drawback of using the Advocate system is if there will be a high volume of submissions, which could be difficult to manage. It is possible a submission could be overlooked.

Follow-up:

 C. Valiotis: Recommend we bring this idea to the attention of all other faculty and administrators at Deans and Chairs meeting, and Faculty meeting.

		 W. Rider: We need to choose language that is best for faculty. E. Vines: Should still look at the Symplicity System. Possible need to demo Symplicity System. Suggestion made to possibly demo at Equity meeting on 11/9, or before the next BSC meeting on 11/23. Important for the committee to know all options before making a decision. T. Garcia: Suggested changing the language in one of the options in the system. "Low-literacy skills" should be more specific to reflect reading and writing in college English/Standard.
III. BSC Web Page	J. Bowers	<u>Issues Discussed</u> :
	W. Rider	 The Basic Skills Webpage is very outdated.
		Please contact Wendy or Jane
		about links, changes, and/or ideas
		to edit the webpage.
		Follow-Up:
		Next committee meeting bring
		Docs that can be used and added
		to update the Basic Skills website.