EOPS/CARE and CalWORKs Advisory Meeting

Wednesday, January 25, 2018 2:00--3:30 PM CAFYES Corner (CDC 152)



Members Present:

Kaman Ng, EOPS Assistant Director/Counselor Dawn Reid, Associate Dean of Categorical Programs Adriana De Los Santos, Alumni Joy Fisher, Counseling Chair Ivette Bustamante, UCLA Rep. (Information sent) Tracye Jones, LAHC CAFYES Coordinator/Counselor Blanca Rodriguez, LAHC CARE Coordinator Tami Hom, LBCC EOPS/CalWORKs/GSP Counselor Sara Rubio, Transfer Center Director/Counselor Ramon Muniz, EOP CSUN Rep Peggy Loewy Wellisch, Financial Aid Director Adrienne Brown, Counselor Tim Mariner, EOPS Staff Donald Essex, SPS/Trio Counselor

Meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m.

- 1. Introduction and Welcome
 - a. K. Ng gave welcome and everyone introduced themselves
- 2. Review of agenda and minutes
 - a. No changes needed
- 3. EOPS/CARE Updates and Report
 - A copy of the 16-17 Annual Report for the State Chancellor's Office was passed around for committee members to review
 - b. K. Ng shared Fall 2017 events including the association conference in November 2017, motivation booster event, CPP/UCSD field trip. B. Rodriguez shared CARE events including the toy drive, Thanksgiving give away, and connections to off campus community
 - c. Number of students served for Fall 2017
 - a. EOPS has a goal of above 800 students for 17-18 year and served 625 students in Fall 2017. Looking to admit at least 175 new students in Spring 2018. A real priority is to increase CARE and CAFYES enrollment as our funding formula is dependent on this growth.
 - d. CAFYES Updates
 - a. T. Jones shared fall updates that included outreach events, CalFresh event, financial aid workshop, and introduced the new CAFYES space to our members.
 - b. The recent debate and status regarding the CAFYES budget was discussed.
 - c. Spring outreach effort was talked about
 - d. T. Jones also talked about the name change of CAFYES to Next Up
 - e. Budget challenges
 - a. D. Reid spoke in detail about the need to raise our enrollment up in all of the programs due to funding formula. History of our funding was shared.
 - b. We discussed the recent proposed budget by Gov. Brown that could affect categorical programs moving them towards a block grant model.
 - c. A. Brown suggested that all programs should collect success stories of students and exit survey to capture impact of programs. This can help with future funding challenges as stories are very powerful
 - f. Upcoming Spring 2018 Events
 - EOPS and Transfer Center will be taking students to CSULB, LMU, and UCLA Stomp Conference.
 - b. A big collaboration in the spring will be with SPS program bringing a well-known comedian/motivation speaker to speak with EOPS and SPS students. This is an exciting conference that we are looking forward to.
 - c. The Spring 2018 EOPS/CARE/CAFYES Open House was announced to be on Feb. 8, 2018
- 4. CalWORKs Goals and Updates

- a. D. Reid shared CalWORKs updates which included the CalWORKs work study program, assisting students in employment skills. There are currently 15 students enrolled in the CalWORKs work-study program.
- b. Budget cut: the DPSS grant was cut drastically. A recent hired of an office assistant has now been terminated due to this cut in funding. D. Reid talked about the need to have more staff in CalWORKs as A. Zesati is the only full time staff in the program.
- 5. Updates from Campus and Community Partners
 - a. R. Muniz: With the new CSUAPPLY that rolled out last year, R. Muniz talked about the challenges that it had. With that said, it has even a bigger challenge to the CSUN EOP program. The program is unable to identify students who applied to the EOP program. He believes this is a statewide problem. R. Muniz shared info on how to guide students by having income info sent to a specific email address.
 - b. T. Hom: LBCC has a new interim associate dean over categorical programs. They currently have 85 guardian scholar students and have talks in applying for CAFYES funding in the near future.
 - c. S. Rubio: The Transfer Center is hosting an open house during Transfer Tuesday on Feb. 6 to assist students in completing AD-T as the deadline for petition is on Feb. 15. Drop in counseling will be available to for such service.
 - d. D. Essex: SPS and Trio continue to support students with accommodations. Please continue to refer students to their services.
 - e. I. Bustamante: UCLA was not able to be there in person, but shared UCLA updates and information to K. Ng. The information was available to the group. Hard copies were shared and provided to S. Rubio.

6. Other items

No set date for next meeting due to scheduling and other campus meetings/obligations. We will wait until further confirmation of activities and schedule accordingly.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50p.m.