

EOPS/CARE and CalWORKs Advisory Meeting

Wednesday, 1/29/2020

12:00—2:00 PM

CDC 151

*Members Present:*

Kaman Ng, EOPS Assistant Director/Counselor
 Dawn Reid, Dean of Student Services
 Joy Fisher, Counseling Chair
 Ivette Bustamante, UCLA Rep. (Information sent)
 Tracye Jones, CAFYES Coordinator/Counselor
 Blanca Rodriguez, CARE Coordinator
 Angeles Zesati, CalWORKs Coordinator
 Natalie Parra, Transfer Counselor

Ramon Muniz, EOP CSUN Rep
 Peggy Loewy Wellisch, Financial Aid Director
 Amarylles Hall, SPS Director
 Gabrielle Corral, EOPS Student
 Deatrice Shernell, LBCC EOPS Director
 Bria Roberts, CAFYES Counselor
 Tim Mariner, EOPS Data Management

Meeting called to order at 12:20 p.m.

1. Introduction and Welcome
 - a. D. Reid gave welcome and everyone introduced themselves. There were a few new attendees
2. Review of agenda and minutes
 - a. No changes to minutes
 - b. D. Reid added the topic Housing/Basic Needs Center to item number 4
3. EOPS/CARE Updates, Report, and Goals
 - a. K. Ng shared highlights of EOPS in Fall 2019. Report included academic data, workshop data, special events, and field trips. EOPS academic data showed a slight decline in success rate. This could be due to the new implementation of AB705. K. Ng also recapped EOPS goals. EOPS plans to enroll 200+ new students in the spring. Orientations has already started for the spring.
 - b. B. Rodriguez shared CARE report, which included CARE enrollment data, details of the Fall CARE/CalWORKs Conference, and CPR training for parents. B. Rodriguez shared her strategies in CARE recruitment and data with the list provided by CalWORKs. CARE plans to enroll at least 30 students to meet CARE enrollment goal.
 - c. CAFYES Updates provided by T. Jones. LAHC CAFYES is in its first year of the new funding formula. In order to maintain funding for next year, CAFYES need to enroll 21 more students. The CAFYES Club was developed in the fall and students have been very active on campus, especially in Hunger Free events. The program is also collaborating with WLAC and LASC to attend cultural trips in the spring.
 - d. T. Jones shared quick updates from the State Chancellors Office.
 - a. T. Jones shared information on AB1645 regarding campus expert/liaison serving undocumented students. Several months ago, State CO decided to open Title 5 to add language to serve AB540 students specifically. This could be why in AB1645, it states that said liaison may be housed in EOPS Office serving undocumented students. However, the language to include EOPS was never discuss with the EOPS field
 - b. K. Ng shared that State CO is not hosting a Spring Training this March. This has been a State CO function for many years and will be the first year that they will not to host one. CCCEOPSA plans to host its own training in San Jose.
4. CalWORKs Goals and Updates
 - a. A. Zesati shared CalWORKs updates that included the CalWORKs work-study program, activities, and budget. CalWORKs currently has 175 students. 50 cases were closed and 25 were opened. The goal is to increase enrollment to 200.
 - b. DPSS new contract requires that all CalWORKs technology and emails to be secured. All email exchange must be encrypted.
 - c. D. Reid asked CalWORKs and CARE to look in to speaking with Mike Reid, PACE Director, because the LAHC PACE program was invited to make presentations to DPSS participants.

5. Updates from Campus and Community Partners
 - a. D. Reid shared updates on the new LAHC Basic Needs Center that will be housed in Tech 215. The center will have a food pantry, a small clothing closet, and a variety of staff members from community resources will be available to assist students in enrollment: Harbor Interfaith, WIC, etc.
 - b. I. Bustamante: Upcoming dates of UCLA transfer student tours were shared. UCLA is currently reviewing applications for fall admission. ETS conference is in May with various locations.
 - c. G. Corral: Student perspective: wonderful LAHC campus community in student services; however, our campus lack class options/selections. Instructions are better at other campuses.
 - d. R. Muniz: CSUN EOP is working on applications for next semester. Detailed info on CSUN EOP Summer Bridge was provided. R. Muniz is currently working on developing a program for incarcerated youth.
 - e. N. Parra: Transfer Center will be open on some Saturdays to assist students in Common App. Social media is used to engage students in transfer information. Updates regarding fall transfer were given.
 - f. A. Hall: SPS lost a counselor in the spring, but has hired a new counselor and disability specialist. Disability specialist helps make accommodations for students and to assist students in the mist of AB705.
 - g. J. Fisher: LAHC have a new retention counselor. This person will clarify and revamp services to probation and academic dismissal students. The Counseling Department will be open three Saturdays in the beginning of spring semester to service students.
 - h. P. Loewy Wellisch: Financial Aid is ready to process 20-21 applications in March. Fin Aid is working on two year decisions for appeals with the Chafee Grant.
6. Other items
 - K. Ng announced that the EOPS/CARE/CAFYES/CalWORKs yearend event is scheduled to be on May 21, 2020 at The Reef, Long Beach. Further confirmation will be shared once venue is booked. All committee members are invited to join.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00p.m.