

EOPS/CARE and CalWORKs Advisory Meeting

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

11:30--1:30 PM

SSA 214



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
 Mica Murrillo, Counselor
 Dr. Luis Dorado, VP of Student Services
 Jacob Haik, Deputy Chief of Staff

Meeting was called to order at 11:40 a.m.

1. Introduction and Welcome
 - a. D. Reid gave welcome and everyone introduced themselves
2. Review of agenda and minutes
 - a. No changes to minutes
3. EOPS/CARE Updates, Report, and Goals
 - a. A copy of the 17-18 Program Highlight Report was passed out for committee members to review
 - b. K. Ng shared highlights of the year. Report included academic data, workshop data, special events, and field trip. B. Rodriguez shared CARE report, which included CARE enrollment data, the toy drive, Thanksgiving give away, and connections with off campus community. Blanca talked about the services of meal tickets that the program will have to cut due to not having enough funding. J. Haik offered several suggestions on how the city and off campus partners can perhaps help. He gave suggestions of how to obtain toys for the toy drive and funding for gas cards.
 - c. Number of students served for 17-18 was 827. This is an increase from 816 the previous year
 - a. EOPS has a goal of serving 830 students for 18-19 year
 - b. CARE has a goal of serving 70 students for the 18-19 year
 - d. CAFYES Updates
 - a. T. Jones shared fall data of CAFYES students. 40 students were served during 17-18. 6 students graduated and all transferred to CSU's. LAHC model is "Above the 3%" as statistically only 3% of foster youth obtain a college degree. We are meeting way above that 3% at LAHC.
 - b. The official name of CAFYES has been changed to Next Up.
 - c. A celebration luncheon was held in the spring with speaker from Kids in the Spotlight.
 - d. A training with county partners and Region 7 CAFYES programs was held in the spring to better streamline services.
 - e. Programs Budget Updates
 - a. D. Reid shared good news that both EOPS and CARE closed out the budget perfectly without over spending or returning money to the state. Due to budget line items such as salaries, the CAFYES program returned about \$4000.
 - b. EOPS and CARE has a slight increase in the 18-19 budget. This is also why it is so important for the program to steadily grow in enrollment as our funding is tied to the number of students we serve.
 - c. Lastly, D. Reid mentioned that she is currently working with the senate to separate the hiring process for categorical programs and program 100 funded positions. CAFYES really need to hire a full-time coordinator/counselor in order to service our CAFYES students.
 - f. EOPS Orientation Name Change
 - a. K. Ng shared that students has been confused with the many orientations that LAHC students participate. Students have expressed that they have completed orientation, but was mistaken by the college orientation they attended and vice versa.

- b. The group suggested a few names and discussed the pros/cons of each. Some of the top names included: EOPS 101, EOPS Empowerment Session, EOPS Informational Session, and EOPS Entrance Process.
 - c. It was decided that K. Ng and D. Reid will bring these top selections back to our staff training next week to have the EOPS staff decide on the name that will best fit the program.
- 4. CalWORKs Goals and Updates
 - a. A. Zesati shared CalWORKs updates that included the CalWORKs work-study program and the partnering events that has been done in partnership with the CARE program. CalWORKs served 205 students and will start off the 18-19 year serving the same number of students. 20 students graduated last year, which is an increase from the pass few years.
 - b. The goal is to increase the number of student referrals from the county.
 - c. Budget update: CalWORKs returned \$1,100 for the 17-18 year. The good news is that the budget did increase for the 18-19 year: \$50,000 increase from state and \$10,000 increase from county.
 - d. D. Reid praised A. Zesati for the excellent work she has done. B. Rodriguez also mentioned the positive relationship between the CalWORKs and CARE program. CalWORKs referrals have really helped the increase of CARE student enrollment.
- 5. Updates from Campus and Community Partners
 - a. I. Bustamante: Updates from UCLA was provided. There was a decrease in applications from LAHC, but an increase in admission. She also shared upcoming dates of events that assist students in the upcoming fall application season.
 - b. P. Wellsch: Financial Aid Office will have a workshop on 9/27 for the high school guidance counselors. She encouraged us to give information about our programs to her as she will have a presentation on our college.
 - c. R. Muniz: CSUAPPLY that rolled out last year caused problems with the EOP application. R. Muniz shared that the state does not anticipate the problem will continue, but it is hard to confirm. He advised us to tell students to still submit documents even after the deadlines and to check with each CSU EOP for deadlines as all of campuses are different.
 - d. T. Hom: LBCC received CAFYES funds this year. They are currently working to streamline the guardian scholar program and CAFYES with this new funding. They are working out the staffing needs.
 - e. J. Haik: Updates on the Bridge Housing (emergency housing). The city opened up a 3rd permanent homeless shelter. He briefly mentioned all of the effort that the city is doing to address homelessness.
- 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 1:30p.m.