

**PRECOLLEGE MEETING  
DEC 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014 MINUTES**

**Introductions**

**Members in attendance**

Jessica Bilodeau (College of Osteopathic Medicine)  
Theresa Blanks (College of Human Medicine)  
Glen Brough (Admissions)  
Jena B Calloway (MSU Detroit Center)  
Stephanie Chau (CANR/GEAR UP/ETS)  
Zach Constan (Cyclotron)  
Luis Donado (Engineering)  
Amanda Krueger (Media & Information)  
Katie Pletka (Community Music School)  
Laura Potter (4H CYI)  
Sandhya Shanker (CeLTA)  
Kari Storm (Veterinary Medicine)  
Janet Swenson (College of Arts & Letters)  
Judy Ratkos (4H)

**Pre College Conference Review (Conference held on Nov 16-17 at Western Michigan, Kalamazoo)**

- 200 people in attendance (maybe due to inclement weather)
- Not as many universities represented this year
- Youth Presentations (new session added this year to the precollege conference): Presentations included how to improve campus visits (students wanted knowledgeable people, main advice was that the person making the presentations should have the answers to all questions). An informal survey of high school students with intend to go to college was conducted. Survey results show that 97% of high schoolers expressed intent to go to college.
- Panel session with experts from admissions from various institutions was well received (discussion focused on important elements in college applications).  
-Zach Constan offered to transcribe his notes from the panel discussion and email it to precollege committee members.
- Future Sessions: within the next month, Steering Committee is already discussing topics to include in next year's conference; suggestions are invited for topics and speakers. Please email your ideas to [pccomm@msu.edu](mailto:pccomm@msu.edu).
- 2015 Precollege conference will be held at University of Michigan-November 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- Evaluations from the Precollege conference have not been tabulated yet.

## **Updates & Clean Up**

- Submitting Student Data & Precollege Reports
  - Leadership Team is compiling a list of Directors whose contact codes don't show online. Please check if your codes work and if you can pull up reports.
  - Leadership Team will follow up with Admissions on how ticket requests are processed and if participant data can be seen across multiple years.
- Judy Ratkos shared data from the 4H Report on Alumni College Enrollment Tracking.
- A meeting has been scheduled to discuss the National Clearinghouse (a suggestion was made to explore the possibility of units with low precollege participants to partner and pay for the Clearinghouse subscription).

## **Pre-College Scholarships Applications**

- Selection committee to evaluate pre-college scholarships applications has been formed.
- Report from Glen Brough (Admissions): got a good response for call for participation in the selection committee. Scholarships focus on the top 5% of applicants' graduating class. This year there are 103 scholarship applications for 60 spots from 11 different precollege programs. Decisions will be made by Jan 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Scholarship recipients get a letter from Admissions; those who don't get it are able to apply for them again; Program directors (who recommended recipients) will be notified.
- Suggestion to contact Matt Basgall (Admissions) to explore the possibility of cross-referencing scholarship awardees with participation in individual precollege programs.

## **Pre College Reporting**

- Leadership Team received 25 reports; impact data is being tabulated;
- Design of report will be more graphic and not too text heavy;
- Executive report will be available in January, mainly in PDF version; paper copies will also be available on request.

## **Common Survey Impact Form**

- Questions will be revisited to make sure that we are asking the right questions of our students and show quantitative impact.
- Discussion on issue raised by a committee member regarding design of questions to suit the requirements of different units.
- Leadership Team would like suggestions on questions that Directors would like included on the survey. Please email ideas to [pccomm@msu.edu](mailto:pccomm@msu.edu).
- Input requested from Precollege Committee on format of survey (on paper? On scantron?) and process to revise the survey (creation of a sub-committee? Have a working meeting to discuss them? The current form can be accessed at: <http://spartanyouth.msu.edu/precollege/documents/Pre-CollegeImpactSurveyQuestionsrevisedorder2013.pdf>).
- Suggestion to include a tutorial on Qualtrics (web-based survey tool) during January 2015 meeting.

**Mental Health Workshop – Save the Date March 25th 8:00 – 1:00**

- Aim of workshop is to provide mental health resources various units offering precollege programs.
- Limited to 100 attendees (mainly precollege committee members and other coordinators who work with participants in precollege programs).
- Planning for the workshop was initiated at the request of Doug Estry as a possibility of interfacing various coping mechanisms with precollege participants.
- Leadership Team has identified Keynote Speaker & panel of experts who will address resources of mental health.
- Workshop will include a short Training session on how to handle reporting procedures, notifying staff and parents, inclusion of appropriate language in MOR for procedures to notify parents regarding mental health.
- Program directors attending the workshop and training will be issued certificates.
- Web registration for the Workshop will be set up early Spring.

**Spring Meeting Schedule (Wednesdays):**

January 21: 3:30-5:00pm

February 18: 3:30-5:00pm

March 25: No Meeting / Pre-College Mental Health Workshop 8am-1pm (Save the Date)

April 29: 3:30-5:00pm \*Final Meeting for Spring Semester\*

(Dates and locations of meetings can be found on <http://spartanyouth.msu.edu/precollege/> (under Pre-College Committee tab > Meeting Schedule)

Update from Jena Calloway about an Open House by the MSU Detroit Center Pre-College Programs.