## Student Success Committee (SSC) Minutes

**January 23, 2019 @ 2-3:30 pm in Campus Center Conference Room (CCCR)**

### Charge:
The Student Success Committee (SSC) is the participatory governance committee responsible for student success and related initiatives. The SSC integrates and aligns student success efforts into a cohesive strategy through ongoing evaluation of data. SSC makes recommendations to close achievement gaps and continuously improve student success outcomes in accordance with State guidelines and the Ventura College Master Plan.

### Agenda Items

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<td><strong>1.</strong> Call to Order</td>
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| **2.** Public Comments | D. Pena would like to congratulate Student Affairs staff on the Grand Opening of the Food Pantry.  

P. Munoz would like to make note that Public Comments differ from Announcements in that Public Comments should pertain to items on agenda. |  |  |  |
| **3.** Approval of Minutes | B. Herrera moves to approve Minutes, second by L. Wright  
Yes: All | Vote |  |  |
| • 12/12/18 |  |  |  |  |
| **4.** Discuss Equity Programs | Homeless - Guests attending: Mary Jones, Mike Pallotto, John Ruff - M. Jones discusses how the Health Center treats homeless students and current resources offered such as mental health counseling, food, basic clothing needs. AB1805 mandates us to have homeless liaison, showers, (Annette Hernandez in Financial Aid is current liaison). Number of students on campus who identify as homeless is growing. J. Ruff leads discussion about resources and services led by the Basic Needs office such as (re-housing program, CalFresh aka EBT, Student ID’s for bus passes, lockers in the Gym to shower, direction to safe parking lots if student has a car to sleep in).  

Students who “couch-surf” are identified as homeless. Students are identified through interviews in Financial Aid. A. Rodriguez encourages Academic Senate members to talk to other Faculty members regarding adding the Basic Needs Office information as a contact in their syllabi for struggling students.  

Ideas to better serve homeless population - shelter ideas (after-hours shelter), working with the City for student housing (coalition for county), discussing at Neighborhood Council Meetings located in Wright event center (last Wednesday of | Discussion (30 min) |  |  |
| - Homelessness |  | Questions (30 min) |  |  |
every month) for hot items and current campus issues, suggestion for housing board on campus, resources are welcome to donate to the Food Pantry, campaigns for students who are nearing homelessness and outreach for mental health services. Staff and Faculty need to know more about the services being offered on campus in order to refer students and better identify those in need. Suggestions to put out a poster for identifying this student population so that staff and faculty can help to refer these students to the services offered.

LGBTQ- Ty Gardener has taken over advising the LGBTQ. Mary Jones has been working with the club on “safe-zones” and referring students to her mental health counselors who work closely with these students and their transitions and coming out.

Number is unknown of number of LGBTQ students on campus. 20 students regularly participating in the LGBTQ club but more attend on other occasions.

Suggestions to help students: cultural competence training for staff and faculty, or adding ask/honor/apologize type phrases in syllabi, allowing students to change name on roll, more gender neutral restrooms, buttons “ask me what my pronoun is”, suggestion to look at he/she pronouns in the college catalog, suggestions to vote as a committee for wording to include in syllabi.

Tutoring Center recently held culturally competence training.

Rainbow Umbrella – coalition for gay or transitioning teens and resource available for students.

Disabled students – EAC served 1,400 students in AY 17-18 and growing. Largest category is learning disabilities, second is mental health, third highest category is other. Patty Wendt passes out a brochure and discusses services offered by EAC for disabled students. ADA mandates everyone to include a disability statement on their syllabi. EAC received excess funds from the state for a learning disability specialist funded last year. Suggestion to brainstorm peer tutoring to help with AB705. Steve Turner discusses his newly added certificate of completion for students with autism. Suggestion to expand open lab opportunities and technology components for our disabled
students. Steve notes the tech divide for students who do not know how to access portal or canvas.

D. Bell notes the equity gap for disabled students was the largest on campus.

Currently incarcerated/recently released – two classes a semester are offered per semester for female incarcerated students and one class a semester for male students. Some students self-disclose in EAC or Financial Aid. Sullivan is a program some staff (Alma, Mary, John) have linked with for last-chance students who are now taking classes. About 65 students currently enrolled in the program. K. Hoffmans notes that she has been out at the locations and met with the students who are attending the class and notes the eagerness of the students who are taking these classes and how these classes align with our mission as a college.

P. Munoz would like committee to look at our low-income student population.

B. Herrera would like future agenda items included on all future agendas.

5. **Visions of Success**

P. Briggs goes over Visions of Success PowerPoint with baseline numbers from previous years.

6. **Future Agenda Items:**
   - (Feb 27) Equity Programs
     - Dreamers
     - Foster Youth
     a) Taskforce Workgroups
     AB705/AB1805
     b) Campus Compass
     c) Review SEA fund budget

7. **Open Comments/Announcements**

8. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 3:32pm.