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AGENDA NOTES

DAY ONE - TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2022

1:00pm - Executive Board Reports and Updates

- President, Past President, President Elect, Treasurer, Technology
 - Treasurer Report:
 - We haven't had much activity the past year due to continued impact of COVID.
 - Goal of our organization is to make enough money to cover expenses for the programs we run.
 - Two programs were Counselor workshops and Transfer advisor workshop that ran. Counselor workshop made 20K. Expenses \$2,500. Made \$17K. Transfer workshop brought in \$1,000. Expenses \$182. Made \$800. Total year net income \$6,479.
 - Bank balance is positive. We've done well through the pandemic in maintaining our bank account to support the programs we have been able to run.
 - Membership- we've had 48 schools pay their dues! Only two schools missing this year.
 - New membership dues for 2022-23 will come out later this summer

1:30pm - Agency/Organization Reports and Updates

- Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) Sarah Weiss
 - See attached presentation slides provided by Sarah
 - ➤ Otterbot: Texting service around FA info for students. Awarded 1.5M grant from Capital One to expand Otterbot to communicating with Parents and then down to 9th/10th graders.
 - > Aim Higher WA: have trainings coming up. There is a basics and then deeper dive.
 - Regional Challenge Grants: Grants will be given to partnerships- anyone working on increasing college going for students. Esp. for targeted student groups. App will be available in the fall. Some learning sessions in July to learn about the RFP process.
- Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) Kim Reykdal
 - Presented by Brittni Thompson on behalf of Kim Reykdal.
 - Legislation updates:
 - HB 1664: increase in funding for staff providing physical, emotional, social support to students (Counselor, Nurse, Psychologist, Social Worker). These are targeted funds for these staffing needs. If there aren't already staff in these positions, schools can go to outside resources.
 - SSB 5030: Comprehensive School Counseling program. Needs to detail direct and indirect services to students in the school. The plan then is implemented to the grade levels. Being supported by HB 1664 funding.
 - o Getting ready to award summer Running Start funds. All community colleges and high schools participating- not special pilot like last year.
 - Started a HSBP advisory council. Kick off meeting happened in the spring. Will
 reconvene the groups in the fall to keep working on the revamp of HSBP. Part of that
 work is relaunch of Career Guidance WA. Looking to add K-5 and doing some
 standard alignment with the School Counselors standards.
 - 2023 Graduation Toolkit (no longer Pathways Toolkit). Focus on helping support students to understand graduation requirements. Work has just begun. Will be posted mid to late August.

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- 5 new CTE programs added for 22-23 school year. Can be offered at schools or career centers
- State Board of Education (SBE) Linda Drake
 - Presented by Stephanie Davidsmeyer on behalf of Linda Drake.
 - Survey currently ongoing to gather information. Missing feedback from recent graduates. Survey closes July 1st.
 - Alignment project for state graduation requirements with Profile of a Graduate. Reviewing the components of the HS diploma. More info on SBE.wa.gov/alignment.
 - Emergency waivers- available on the website for info on what's allowed for class of '22, '23 and '24
- State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC) Jamie Traugott
 - > See attached information provided by Jamie for the meeting.
 - New Executive Director- Paul Francis (starting in August) taking over for Jan Yoshiwara.
 - Val Sundby is taking over work of Jamie Lee Penn.
 - All colleges on CTC Link. Now working on stabilization and global updates
 - ➤ Dual Credit 101's this past spring focused on helping new administrators learn more about the dual credit programs. Moving into this fall will put a focus on deep dive into the specific programs.
 - RS funding streams: summer RS is very exciting, timing was not ideal and has posed some issues in getting funds out to the colleges. All but two CCs applied and will be awarded money from the ESSER funds through SBCTC. Focus for ESSER funds is on Prof/Tech and credit recovery, enrollment in student success classes over summer. The other fund from OSPI are focused on graduates within 15 credits of completing an associate degree or current RS that maxed out their FTE. Hoping coding guidance for the colleges will come end of this week.
 - ➤ Rep. Paul has given another \$500K that will cover additional expenses for housing/food insecurity, books/transportation, etc.
- Council of Presidents (COP) Julie Garver
 - > See attached information provided by Julie for the meeting.
 - Most institutions continuing to accept applications for the fall.
 - > Revising the state admissions policy (annual review) after next year will go to every other year.
 - Also going to review CADRS this year and updating them. Listening session for K-12 partners will be forthcoming. Also accepting written comments. Can email Julie for more info/Zoom link.
 - Looking to design some dual credit events for the fall/deep dives into the different programs.
 - Continuing work on guaranteed admissions.
 - o Changes for 22-23:
 - There will be one data sharing agreement (DSA).
 - Will require a letter of support from Dist. Leadership.
 - Data collection will extend down to junior year.
 - Pilot closing out, will evolve to an ongoing program.
 - Deadline for completing DSA and Support letter will be in September.
 - 21-22 had 26 districts that participated and completed the process.
 - Some growing pains with this pilot. Did not expect the popular response that was received.
 - o Data collection was challenging to ID unique applications.
 - Had about 200 new applications across all partner colleges that were not already received as a result of the Gap program.

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- Provided some examples of positive impacts to students (those who wouldn't have gone to college otherwise, those who felt a loss of direction get focused, etc.)
- Independent Colleges of Washington (ICW) Shea Hamilton
 - See attached information provided by Shea for the meeting.
 - Leadership changes- two new Presidents (Whitman and St. Martins University)
 - ➤ ICW was a partner with the Dual Credit 101 webinar series. Many other partnerships listed in the provided update.

3:00pm – Event Reflection & Brainstorm – Small Group Activity Overview

Breaking into small groups to assess where we are at with our current events and start conversations around if events should continue. If so, what should they look like and what other support is needed to make them run.

3:15pm – Small Group Activity

3:45pm - Large Group - Report Back and Start of Commission Updates

Small Groups report out

- College Planning Day
 - o Looking to reinvent the format. Need to build back up marketing.
 - New format being more of a panel setting with a mix of colleges where kids could go and listen to a variety. Might be able to do a panel and a presentation.
 - o Decrease the number of site to start smaller and build up over the years to come.
 - Look for outside groups that might have funds available to help with bussing for specific student groups.
 - Next Steps:
 - Need to decide on format
 - Need to ID schools to be sites
- College Exploration Day
 - The issue seems to be logistics, not interest in the event. Some of this then is getting to the
 point where either there are subsidies or schools get back to a point where they have staff
 for buses and subs for teachers to be gone.
 - Need to do a needs survey to see if people are ready to come back to this event and if so, what might the barriers be?
 - If College Bound is included, WSAC may have funds available to provide a bus subsidy.
 - Need to explore if WA Council money could be used to provide food on site contracted with the colleges
 - Need some MS Counselor or teacher representation on the commission to help with the planning (roll into the needs survey to see if people are interested)
 - Look at changing up the content to include a student panel, different games or breakouts
 - Opportunity to connect this event to the high school and beyond plan.
 - Maybe look at offering one or two sites instead of the whole list and use the survey to look at potential site locations based on MS that can commit to bringing students.
 - O Next Steps:
 - Need to create a survey to go out
 - Need to look at one or two host sites with MS nearby to participate
 - Need to look at the workshop options and revamp (move from keynote speaker to student panel, update current workshops or look at new partnerships
- Fall High School Counselor Workshop
 - o Dates have been established for the fall workshop schedule.

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- Sent out a survey and got great response rate- 78% wanted to be back in person
- Worried about trying to do 9 events in person. There will be five programs the week of Sept. 12th and then one virtual event on Sept. 20^h.
- Locations were based on proximity/ease of venues. EWU, Columbia Basin, WSU Vancouver, UW Bothell, Clover Park.
- o 7:30 check in with 8am start. Ending at 2pm is preferred.
- Going to play with some different options for the in person Q&A. The fact that virtually it
 was anonymous seemed to drive great questions- want to mimic that in person.
- Still need to work on how the colleges give updates. Trying to get it more equitable so the colleges are presenting the same information.
- Keep schools to one slide and format around the three pillars of school counseling at have the colleges make the connections.
- Next Steps:
 - Cost to attend needs to be figured out
 - Is the clock hour time the same for in person as virtual?
 - How to track clock hours needs to be figured out

Fall Transfer Fair

- There have been lots of people inquiring about the fairs and what is happening.
- Transfer fair attendance was already declining prior to COVID. Some schools got creative with additional sessions on like FA or offering food.
- Four year schools are ready to get back out and meet with students. Two year also needs that exposure for their transfer based students.
- Need help with clock hour forms and mange the process.
- Concerns around food service not being on college campus- are they coming back?
- Talked about virtual options
- O Next Steps:
 - Need to go back to basic.
 - Need to figure out the food situation.
 - Need to go back to only WA member eligible schools this year to rebuild. Adding out
 of state adds complexity.
 - Need to look at giving something to the Deans/Directors at the two year and four year schools about what this event is meant to do and the impact that it has. Google doc will be created to push to the two year/four year partners about new programming at the different schools.

DAY TWO - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2022

8:30am – Agency/Organization Reports and Updates Continued

- Washington School Counselor Association (WSCA) Denise Reddinger
 - See attached information provided by Denise and Lilia for the meeting.
 - Denise will be stepping down as the WSCA rep. Lilia Hueso will be taking her place as rep.
 - HB 1664 should ensure that school districts spend the money as intended. Can also include spending for school safety.
 - Youth mental health is a national crisis right now. The push for Counseling programs has been to address that need. However, also need to be able to address academic needs as well.

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- HB 1834: Student mental health being an excusable absence starting 2022-23 school year.
 Staff mental health is not included. Still work to be done there.
- WSCA annual conference- had largest number of participants. Lots of recorded presentations available for viewing in the supplied documentation.
- Association of Washington School Principals (AWSP) Andra Kelley-Batstone
 - See attached information provided by Andrea for the meeting.
 - Focused on brainstorming opportunities for collaboration on dual credit. There is a link in the slides to what school Principals feel are the challenges and potential solutions for dual credit programs.
 - Also focused on the support and mental wellness of staff in the schools.
 - ➤ Will check in at the AWSP conference on ways that WA Council might be able to table or provide information about our Council.
- Washington Financial Aid Association (WFAA) Anne Brosius

9:15am - Commission Updates (Standing and Other)

- Commission on Publications and Communications
 - Working on getting the last of the materials to put together the publication. Ahead of where the publication is traditionally.
 - > Publication will be electronic only. Is printable, but print copies will not be provided.
 - ➤ In thinking of creating a letter about the WA Council- can reach out to OSPI to include the information to the various listservs for Counselors and others. Next publication will go out in August.
- Commission on Counselor Workshops
 - o Transfer Advisers Workshop: Summer workshop will be on Zoom, Thursday August 4th. All day event. Will have a new advisor session led by NW STEP. RVSP request has gone out to the four year partners.
 - Would like to have a four year partner to help run the commission.
- Commission on Inter-College Relations (ICRC)
 - o Report will come from Shea to the listserv from the last meeting minutes.
- Commission on Diversity and Equity
 - Reviewed mission and it holds as relevant. Effort is in how to add to what is already happening. Maybe creating a newsletter that showcases best practices.
 - Pick up the marketing pieces for the Council so that everything going out has a equity lens to
 it
- Commission on Dual Credit Options
 - Where are we at with coming back to an in person statewide Dual Credit event? Not sure if we are ready to come back, but there is a need for new counselors and new advisors. Have a lot to sort out with the money aspect of the prior conference that was cancelled.
 - NACEP would like to come to Washington to support the accreditation effort. Maybe combine that with RS and CTE Dual credit programming. Want to come in June. Will need help from Dual Credit Commission to promote if nothing else.
 - Up for new ideas on what the next purpose is.
- Commission on General Membership
 - o New 2022-23 college membership requests will go out in July.
 - The Council is full on the HS allotments
 - Have an opening for two year reps

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Very short on the four year reps

11:00am - Old & New Business (if time is available)

TBD

11:30am - General Membership Meeting

- Approval of new membership and continuing membership
 - New Members:
 - Jason Boatwright- Clover Park Technical College Term 2025
 - Molly Brown- North Seattle College Term 2025
 - Denise Reddinger Richland High School Term 2025
 - Wendy Jo Peterson- Term 2022 now 2023
 - Mitzi Sanders- Leaving the Council
 - Carlos Delgadillo- Leaving his honorary membership role to fully enjoy retirement

Transfer of Officers

- Brian Spraggins- had completed his time as an officer! Will rejoin the general board membership
- Melody Ferguson- Moving to Past President
- o Anne Molenda- Moving to President
- Heidi Youseph- Elected to President Elect
- Wendy Jo Peterson- Moved to continue as Treasurer
- Lucretia Folks- Continuing as Executive Secretary
- Susan Mosby- Continuing as Recorder
- Julie Garver- Elected to Technology Officer
- Moved by Paul Seegert to approve the full slate of new officers and seconded by Brian Spraggins

NEXT MEETING -

Fall: October 18-19, 2022

Location: Icicle Inn, Leavenworth, WA