Minutes of the Meeting  
Student Success/ATD  

December 5, 2012  
GC Second Floor Conference Room  


Report on Kick Off Data and Discussion: Linda Alexander  

Students who participated indicated that 72% improved preparedness and would attend next year. Students liked the idea of the kickoff.  

Activities: Campus tour, information, passport, games, club rush.  

Desired Activities: Café service and bookstore specials.  
We may want to assess how students are reached. Need for more signs, samples of food and free items, FA workshops, and opportunities to meet with transfer representatives. Information sheets on courses could answer why someone should take the course, books required grading, instructor contact information, lab materials, and time requirements. The new and returning students could be welcomed.  
Communication with students could be with SARS, and ESC/instructor e-mails. There should be a smaller spring kickoff.  
There will be a High School Day/Open House in March or April. Tutors will be available on the Friday prior to the start of the spring semester.  

The Kickoff Committee includes: Gabriel Brown, Ashok Patil, Jiovanni Hylton, Mary Jo Apigo, and Judith-Ann Friedman  

Best Practices for faculty discussion  
Communicate with students prior to class and send them the syllabus with textbook information.  
Have an instructor orientation for new instructors.  
Communicate with students using ETUDES.  
The Police Academy Open House held each semester has a new component with employment pathways.  

Enhanced Tutoring  
There is software available for advanced tutoring: My Math Lab, Course Compass.
There should be faculty involvement and scheduling. 
There is a need for strong tutors from math and science who are provided 
instructional skills to improve their effectiveness. 
There is too much lag time in the hiring of student tutors. 
Good students are stretched thin. 
Faculty must be involved in forming a pool of tutors. 
There is a need for classroom based tutoring in Math 123 ABC and Physics.

Professional Development

Growth Mindset Opportunity by Carol Dweck was discussed. These are 8 
intervention strategies that can be implemented in the classroom. The 
interventions are designed to get the students past mental blocks.

The DREAM Conference

The DREAM Conference will be held at the Anaheim Hilton. There are 7 
openings. The meeting will be held from February 5 to 8th 2013. Day passes will be 
available. Students can attend. There will be a panel presented by our college.

Respectfully submitted: JAF