Student Equity Committee – APPROVED Meeting Notes
May 11, 2020 / 2:30pm to 4:00pm / Virtual Meeting - Zoom

Members

☒ Eric Lara (Co-Chair)	☒ Eva Rios-Alvarado	☐ Gary Enke
☒ Eloise Reyes (Co-Chair)	☐ Parisa Mahjoor	☐ Vanessa Garcia
☒ Michelle Sampat	☐ Tarik Ross	☒ Aya Garawi (A.S. Rep.)
☒ Bruce Nixon	☒ Jaime Rodriguez	
☒ Mica Stewart	☒ Tami Pearson	

Research Team: John Barkman   Guests: _Dario Fernandez__

Item	Agenda Topic	Notes	Meeting Outcome
1.0	Welcome	Eric Lara welcomed the committee members to the zoom meeting; he confirmed we had enough attendees for quorum. Committee members provided an update on their well-being.	N/A
2.0	Review meeting notes: April 27, 2020	The committee reviewed the meeting notes from April 27, 2020 and no changes.	The committee approved the meeting notes.
3.0	Article: COVID-19 Decimates State Revenues, Education funding	Eric Lara shared the article with the committee; revenue reduction for 2020-2021 fiscal year has not been determined; the article indicated it's the worst year compared to 2008 financial crisis. Discussion based on waiting for May revise to come out.	Wait for May revise memo to see what potential funding looks like.
4.0	Research Update	Jaime Rodriguez reported the student survey; about 2500 students responded, closing sometime next week, and summarize the findings. Working on a new project with a general 5 years overview and integrate an equity component.	Research will report out survey outcomes at the next meeting.
5.0	Direct Emergency Aid to Students memo	Eric Lara shared the Financial Aid breakdown on dispersing the funds directly to students. Data provided showed breakdown based on units enrolled and unmet need. Update on CARES emergency grant funding also discussed.	N/A

6.0	CARES Act Update	Dario Fernandez explained undocumented students will not qualify for the CARES Act; SEAP emergency grant will be able to assist 526 undocumented students; he explained the parameters used to identify the undocumented students through Dream Act file, A&R AB 540, and a separate application for those eligible. Additional resource is the Disaster Relief Assistance for immigrants (non-student-specific) beginning May 18, 2020.	N/A
7.0	Technology Distribution and Food Pantry / Households where a smartphone is the ONLY computing device: https://www.arcgis.com/home/item.html?id=8cfa9159a67f43af8af5e08bbefec938	Eric Lara reported the technology distribution status; last Wednesday, May 6th 75 students picked up laptops with hot spots; he also addressed the return and summer distribution. He mentioned that 'Holds' will not be enforced if devices were not returned or damaged. He announced the next Food Pantry event is on Thursday, May 14th; assistance with distribution is welcomed; students will need to provide their student ID; drive up or walkup options are available; bags will already have food; Eric will inquire and confirm if dog/pet foods will be available.	Eric Lara will inquire and confirm the availability of dog / pet foods.
8.0	Other	Eric reported that the Basic Needs Committee is moving into providing student eCards. He announced the 'Loteria Night' zoom event on Wednesday, May 20th at 5-6pm; it's a game similar to bingo with a twist.	N/A

Future Student Equity Meetings: 6/8