**Mt. San Antonio College Retention and Persistence Committee - Minutes Date: September 28, 2021**

***Attending:***

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| ✓ | Patty Quinones (Co-Chair) |  | Sun Ezzell | ✓ | Gizelle Ponzillo |  |  |
| ✓ | Shiloh Blacksher (Co-Chair) | ✓ | Hong Guo | ✓ | Carlos Santana |  |  |
| ✓ | Haneen Aguilar | ✓ | LaTesha Hagler | ✓ | Ned Weidner |  |  |
| ✓ | David Beydler | ✓ | Lesley Johnson |  | Jaime Rodriguez (Guest) |  |  |
| ✓ | Elizabeth Casian | ✓ | Jasmine McLeod | ✓ | Susan Wright |  |  |
| ✓ | Julie Cortez | ✓ | Sara Mestas | ✓ | Tiffany Kuo (Guest) | ✓ | Doris Torres (Recorder) |

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|  | Topic | Discussion | Outcome |
| **1.** | * **Welcome, Announcements** | * Susan Wright announced she has submitted a course on Building Resilience for Student Success, based on positive education & Positive Psychology Principles. * Julie Cortez announced she is working with ACCESS specialist on a series of Time Management Workshops for all students. | * Time Management Workshops will be taking place on Thursday, September 30, 2021 at 1:00pm, in Building 9B. |
| **2.** | * **Review and Approve Minutes** | * Committee viewed minutes with a motion to approve. * Committee is aware of minor changes to 5.25.21 meeting minutes. | September 14, 2021 meeting minutes were approved by committee.  Click to view R&P [Minutes 9.14.21](https://mtsac0-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/g/personal/dtorres106_mtsac_edu/EY-JybZYIdlDse1o8vtf4L8Bl76Y54q4aiC1fAXAAKN0ag?e=pmfpvq)  Click to view minor changes to [5.25.21](https://mtsac0-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/g/personal/dtorres106_mtsac_edu/Ecb20pRbMsNDkRNQJasTMoMBytDuI_4zCcwSxgIzOkoSQA?e=TG4TKb) meeting minutes. |
| **3.** | * **Discussion on:** [**2021 Data Literacy Newsletter**](https://mtsac0-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/dtorres106_mtsac_edu/EY8phyF0yGRBuBGErljIW2gBI4j0_9YzHmIm2ngRlqFdHg?e=qNSaRc)   **(Tiffany & Ned)** | * Tiffany Kuo and Ned Weidner shared the course success and retention dashboard. They showed how and where to access the dashboard and did a quick tutorial. The data described in the most recent Data Literacy newsletter was obtained from Success and Retention dashboard. * The committee also shared and discussed in detail the 2021 Data Literacy Newsletter on Quantifying the Equity Gap, Quantifying Race & Ethnicity Gaps at Mt. SAC, and Now What Do I Do? | Additional newsletter lookup:   * Newsletter lookup is also located on RIE Dashboards Launch Page   [Click Link](https://mtsac0.sharepoint.com/SitePages/RIE-Dashboards-Launch-Page.aspx?source=https://mtsac0.sharepoint.com/SitePages/Forms/AllPages.aspx)  Tiffany’s contact information:   * For questions or newsletter improvement, contact Tiffany at [tkuo14@mtsac.edu](mailto:tkuo14@mtsac.edu) * Data Office hours: Thursday   3-4pm. Zoom link on newsletter |
| **4.** | * **Decline of male enrollment at community colleges (Patty)** | * Patty met with Meghan Chen. They both noticed there has been a decline of full time male students within the College. There has been a 4% decline in the number of full-time male students, from fall 2019 to fall 2021. * Decline in community college enrollment, particularly for male students, is a national and state trend that has been exacerbated by the pandemic. * Patty shared a document she has put together outlining the decline in enrollment with sources, and possible reasons for this trend. * Ned also shared information link below: The Atlantic – Colleges Have a Guy Problem. A recent viral news story reported that a generation of young men is abandoning college. The pattern has deep roots.   <https://www.theatlantic.com/ideas/archive/2021/09/young-men-college-decline-gender-gap-higher-education/620066/> | * Patty will be sharing the document with the group.   [Click here](../../Male%20enrollment%20decline.docx) |
| **5.** | * **Partnering with Guided Pathways Committee on exploring Resistance & Persistence issues on Research Topics** | * Shiloh’s discussion on equity gaps. As a College, how can we improve and better understand the needs of the students?   Suggestions/Concerns:   * What is working for students? * What are roadblocks for students? * Possibly survey students from other backgrounds to understanding their needs. * Shiloh suggested to help with these concerns. Marcell Gilmore from the Research Department has worked on student voices and should be invited to the next R&P meeting so he can share his project. | * Marcell Gilmore will be invited as a guest to the next R&P meeting on October 12th, 2021 to discuss and share student voices project. * Shiloh will also send out information on things she has been working on for the next year. |
| **Issue Bin/Future Agenda:**  **Future Agenda:**   * **Marcell Gilmore discussion on Student Voices.** | | | |

**Future Meeting: October 12th, 26th. November 9th, 23rd**