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EDC Minutes

April 7, 2020

11:40 a.m.-12:40 p.m.

Scott Turnbull, Liz Thomson (minutes), Nancy Carpenter, Jennifer Rothchild, Heather Peters, Maiko Legate, Angela Feather, Amelia Nelson, Jasmine Pryor; Absent: Rob Velde, Adrienne Conley, and Priyanka Basu

Concerned about students' engagement, participation in and out of class

- Overall, people shared the challenges of being virtual with classes, student orgs, and athletics
- Challenges include difficulty in reading body language and then being able to respond; physical aches and pains
- Athletics shared how they are keeping student athletes in communication and fit via a blog

Equity and Diversity Issues

- Concerns
 - about technology access
 - Fall registration
 - Prep for fall courses possibly online
 - Impact on internships; can't do an entire internship online; need as much advance warning as possible
- Acknowledged there's different types of instruction; mix up asynch/synch, breakout rooms, etc.; need a day without Zoom online; help us with different techniques for different learning needs
- Maybe a post-spring development day?
- Hope data is being collected on what is/isn't working
- Gateway and STELLAR – pending approval by administration; connect with Michael Goh
- Cultural and identity graduation ceremonies – pending by administration

Needs

- Need a unified, coherent approach; reach out to other campuses like Crookston who has entire academic programs online; Carpenter was on an Online Task Force
- Assess needs of students
- Get feedback right now by students working/not working
- Crookston outreach of best practices/recommendations re: virtual academic programs
- Other support services also; co-curriculars; bonding with peers
- Mental health
 - Anxiety, substance abuse, numbing coping
 - Student counseling issues just in MN

Zoom bombing preventions

- Lock meeting
- Mute audio; don't let others share screens
- Don't share Zoom info publicly; have people RSVP or make meeting with a password
- See other IT recommendations

Minutes

- Approve; no changes

Table

- Review of Student Affairs Poster policy