



IR Council Meeting

May 20, 2009

9:00 a.m. – Noon

Members Present

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| Cindy Almendarez | Jim Waugh | Alka Arora Singh | Beth Hunt Larson |
| Andrea Archer | Laurie Cohen | Mary Day | Ajit Kelkar |
| John Catapano | Tracy Salter | Sandy Hill | Laurie Pemberton |
| Carole Yoshida | Donna Silber | Dan Huston | Kerry Mitchell |
| Chris Frattare | Linda Hughes | John Snelling | Christina Del Rosario |

Hyperion Training – Tracy had the team answer seven questions about the IRIS data warehouse. This helped reinforce the data warehouse load schedule, the variety of ways to unduplicate data, and the appropriate tables to use to efficiently answer various business questions. Tracy also reviewed the “FTSE_details” table and explained that the adjustments are in the table between 4-6 weeks after 45th day. The data source field has two values - - census (45th day results or year-end results) or adjust (the adds (+) and deletes (-) to 45th day results or to the year-end results).

ASSIST Agreement/Transfer Rate Query Update –

- ASSIST Agreement - Tracy discussed the agreement for getting the colleges access to the complete Maricopa dataset in ASSIST (see handout). There would no longer be individual college views. Each Maricopa college would access the MCCCCD view of ASSIST. Colleges would see each other's data, and could not share a sister college's numbers without seeking permission first (the same way that IRIS data is handled).

The condition to getting access to Maricopa data is that all Maricopa colleges must agree to it. If one college refuses to participate, then none of the colleges can. Tracy will send the verbiage from the access agreement to the IR Directors. The agreement requires the signature of the IR Director and the college's Dean of Instruction or President. When Tracy receives notice from all 10 colleges that they will participate, she will send out the agreement for signatures.

- Transfer Rate Query – Tracy said that ASU is working on modifying the transfer rate queries to be able to report on college level vs. statewide. Tracy will notify the IR Council when the new queries are available.

Predictive Modeling Update – Dan discussed the results of the predictive modeling pilot and reviewed two handouts. The project predicts which developmental students are at risk for failure in their subsequent intermediate algebra course. Overall, the model predicts the students who are not successful with 81% accuracy. Lists of students would be provided to a college so that they

could provide interventions for those students. The VPAA's have been contacted and the math council will be contacted to determine which colleges would like to pilot the project.

SharePoint Server Uses – John Snelling presented the SharePoint model that he created for strategic planning which will replace a 50 page word document. He used the SharePoint software 'out of the box' and it is about 20% complete so far. John walked us through some of the functionality and features available. John is creating tutorials videos and will send to the IR Council along with the link to the SharePoint external site. The site will be moved to an internal site for college use only in the near future.

NCCBP Form 9 Potential Changes – With council approval, the form 9 query will be revised. Currently, the student records are prioritized by the lowest course number in order to select one record per student. It was recommended that course be removed from the sort order since the intermediate Algebra courses used in the query are not sequential according to the curriculum web site. A district-wide query will also be developed. History will have to be recreated in order to trend over time. The council supported the change.

IPEDS Price Calculator – Donna provided a handout and reviewed some of the changes coming with IPEDS as a result of the revised HEOA. In August 2009, the College Navigator website must display a multiyear tuition calculator. The calculator will provide an estimate of 'typical' tuition and fees for each year of the normal duration of the program of study at an institution, and an estimate of the total tuition and fees. Additionally, in August of 2009 NCES will provide a template for a net price calculator, and in August of 2011, each postsecondary institution must post a net price calculator on their institutions website. An institution may use either the net price calculator developed by NCES or one the institution develops, as long as its calculator includes 'at a minimum the same data elements' found in the NCES calculator. Donna will keep the council informed as more information becomes available.

Lumina Grant Update– Shelly Potts from ASU provided an overview of the Lumina Grant. She provided copies of her PowerPoint presentation. This will be presented at AIR in Atlanta, GA - - there will be a session on the Network and two sessions on the research component. Shelly requested help from the colleges for the upcoming student interviews and will be going through the IRB process.

Proposal for Noel Levitz/CCSSE Survey Administration – CEC – Beth said that the colleges had been asked to provide Noel Levitz data for a district-wide report. This report is available from Noel Levitz and Estrella Mountain and Scottsdale provided the information needed for the request. The CEC is discussing how CCSSE and Noel Levitz might be administered across the district on a more standardized schedule. It was noted that some colleges may have grants requiring specific administration times. The SENSE survey of beginning students was also mentioned as a possible survey to be explored district-wide.

Student Success Updates – A district steering committee has been formed to discuss the Student Success Initiative. Representatives from various councils and functional areas are all represented. The notes from the meetings and a PowerPoint presented by Linda Hawbaker at the last steering committee meeting were made available to the IR council and are on the shared directory. The

district steering committee was appreciative of the fact that the IR group had begun work on the student success outcomes. X:\IR Shared\iSS Student Success Project\Steering Committee
The student group names have been established for the whole district. Colleges with sub-groups in their cohorts (e.g. full-time and part-time) do not have to create separate student groups. If the data is in IRIS then that can be used to run reports on these cohorts.

A chart was distributed showing that there is not data currently in the student groups for many colleges. South Mountain is up to date but the data is not complete for all colleges. Estrella Mountain is in the process of entering the data. The question was raised as to what is the due date? Summer would be a good time to enter the data in time for fall reporting, but a schedule with due dates is needed.

The discussion indicated that there is need for more direction on the operational aspects of student success. Some colleges are having issues with resources to enter the data and lack a process to do so. Currently each college has their own unique processes. The steering committee is planning a meeting for the colleges this fall to share their ideas. The idea of charting the processes was also suggested. Beth will take ideas from IR to the steering committee meeting in June.

Linda will be working on the student success queries and a new testing table has been developed to help identify students' placement. Amber and several others from the IR group are testing the tables.

The suggestion was made to have a student success summer retreat as our normal IR meeting in July. Several people volunteered to set up the meeting.

NCCBP Conference – Mary asked if there are any volunteers to attend the conference in late June. It was noted that there are no more professional growth funds available.

Summer Retreat – Laurie C. and Beth mentioned that the July 15th IR Council meeting will be a summer retreat. It will be devoted to discussing Student Success and more details will be provided.

College Sharing:

- Sandy Hill mentioned that there is a board member request about space utilization that may be coming to the District Office. South Mountain had a consultant assist with a space utilization study and results will be forthcoming.
- Kerry Mitchell announced that the MAT conference is being held 5/21 and that Dan Huston is now the new MAT Cluster 2 representative beginning 7/1/09.

Meeting adjourned 11:50 a.m.

Next IR Council meeting:

- June 17, 9:00 a.m. IR Council Meeting at Rio Salado Conference Center