



IR Council Meeting

October 21, 2009

9:00 a.m. – Noon

Members Present

Cindy Almendarez	Beth Hunt Larson	Laurie Cohen	Tracy Salter
Laurie Pemberton	Joann Caufield	Jan Binder	Ajit Kelkar
Andrea Archer	Adam Lange	Kerry Mitchell	John Catapano
Mary Day	Alka Arora	Jim Waugh	Damita Kaloostian
Chris Frattare			

Laurie Cohen announced that Laurie Pemberton is leaving MCCC and will be the IR Director at Western International University. The council wishes Laurie P. well in her new position.

Training – IPEDS Completions – Tracy discussed reporting completions/awards using the IPEDS Completions tables (see 3-page handout *IR Council\IPEDS\Completions\Using the IPEDS Completions table-2009.doc*). You can join this table to the XL_Cip_Codes table and you can join the College and Emplid fields to Students or Student Classes tables. Please see page 2 of the handout for the limits to use on the IPEDS Completions table as of October 2009.

- The IPEDS_year is when the record was reported to IPEDS.
- The Collected_year is the year that the data was generated, i.e., 2009 was just generated.
- There are BOEXI reports available and one of them checks for potential duplicate awards and embedded AGECS that haven't been posted yet.

Noel-Levitz Additional Questions – Laurie C. and Beth mentioned that the additional questions are still pending. Beth provided a handout on the Noel-Levitz Institutional Summary questions. Beth asked the IR Directors to ask their campus VP's or Presidents for the big burning issues. Then send the feedback to Beth so that she can forward to the IR Council.

Beth provided a handout that she received from Noel-Levitz about the Spring 2010 Survey and contains the history regarding the most recent activity for the colleges. Two options are provided and these colleges selected Option Two: CG, GC, PC, PV and SC. Beth asked the IR Directors to let her know how many surveys are needed and she will coordinate for MCCC. Be aware that it will take three weeks to receive the surveys after they are ordered.

Student Success Updates/sharing – Linda reviewed two handouts. The first handout is the Cohort Count query that uses the Student Groups table in IRIS. The Student Groups table includes all student groups (not just the student success groups) that are active or inactive and the table is refreshed weekly. Linda asked that the data be reviewed and cleaned-up (check each term for students with zero attempted hours and where the first term is later than the cohort term). The query for the Cohort Count and outcomes measures is located at *IR Council\Student Success\Outcome Measures*.

The most recent Governing Board Monitoring Report includes a new section on the student success pilot reflecting district-wide results for Fall 2008 and Spring 2009. The second handout shows the counts where the number of courses successfully completed (C or better grade) by college and term and persistence by college and term. Linda Hawbaker will clone query for Spring 2010 and will modify the limits and then everyone can start running it and complete the clean-up as needed. Look at the results and make sense of it based on how your program is set-up at your college.

Board Monitoring Report Update – Beth handed out the November 2009 Monitoring Report Performance Dashboard. This year the actual results to target show green (median or above), yellow (25th percentile – median) and red (below the 25th percentile). A new column was added to the far right that shows the change from the prior year with an up arrow, down arrow or neutral arrow. The Student Success Pilot Project (SSPP) Outcomes section is new this year. The Transfer First-Year Credit hours Completed is not available in ASSIST yet. The Workforce section is new using Carl Perkins IV 2007-08 definition.

Testing new Ethnicity Field – Tracy discussed that the new Ethnicity field is being tested by A&R and it is scheduled to go into production on SIS on 11/4/09.

Enrollment analysis sharing – Beth asked that the Fall 2009 45th day analysis be turned in today or tomorrow. Beth alerted everyone that all PED courses/classes are coded as occupational and to be aware of this for the analysis (this was approved by the appropriate committees/councils). There was some discussion about the staffing report and the impact due to this change.

NFC Documentation – Tracy discussed the handout (*IR Council\Brio Training\NewFormerContinuing\excerpt NFC_Spec_detail.docx*) that defines the New/Former/Continuing logic that is very close to being correct in IRIS. Please be aware of these things:

Definitions (for Academic Career CRED):

Register; Registration = the event of enrolling in a class

Enrolled; Enrollment = enrolled in a class with enr_status_code=E and units_taken > 0; all enrollments begin as a registration, but not all registrations remain an enrollment.

Regular terms are Fall and Spring. Enrollment in a summer term is not required as a condition of being Continuing.

- A new student at MCCCDC is a person who is enrolling in credit courses for the first time at an individual institution.
- The NFC value will be set upon admittance, upon term activation, and upon the first registration in classes for each term.
- Once a student registers for classes in a term, then the NFC for that term will not change regardless of other registrations or activity in any term.
- A student's NFC status will be determined by evaluating credit course taking history in the prior terms.

Longitudinal Data System Update – Beth said that federal funds are available for this data system and deadline is 11/19/09 for the grant. This is a collaborative effort and the article dated 9/28/09 that Beth provided for more details. See copy of PowerPoint presentation for more information about this.

- **E-Scan** – Damita asked for everyone to please take 5 minutes to post an article. It takes some more time to review the article to determine if it should be posted. When you read an article you should find MCCCCD implication right away, which is how you determine if you should post it. Recommend we take 30 minutes at next IR Council meeting to post articles.

A&M Study – Jan and Kerry discussed the 9/30/09 A&M presentation and identified several issues including the representativeness of student sample. Two percentages in the presentation in question are the 82% of students aim to be completers and the 11% three year completion calculation. Many others had concerns with the data, methodology and presentation of data by A&M. Several plan to write a white paper outlining the concerns. Many of the Directors agreed to discuss with their supervisors to determine their next steps. Beth will ask Debbie Thompson for recommendations on next steps to share the concerns with the Vice Chancellors/Chancellor.

Meeting adjourned at Noon.

Next IR Council meeting:

November 18, 9:00 a.m. – Noon IR Council Meeting at Rio Salado Conference Center.