

SST EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (SSTX)

Attendees:	Marcella David, Kathy Hall, David Grady, Emil Rinderspacher, Von Stange, Lon Moeller, Lin Larson, Bill Nelson, Susan Lagos Lavenz, Beth Ingram, Sarah Hansen, Liz Whitt
Absent:	Nancy Humbles, Rachel Williams, Mike Currie

AGENDA ITEMS

Topic

Overview of SST

- Liz shared the SST's definition of Student Success and some background on how the SST Executive (shorthand: SSTX) Committee has functioned. Primarily, the Executive Committee sets the agenda for the SST, provides organization for its efforts, and makes recommendations on how funds, time and energy should be used to most effectively impact student success at Iowa.

Discussion of SST and Moving Forward Together (MFT)

- Discussion held on the rationale for merging SST and MFT. Beth shared an explanatory email Tom Rocklin sent to MFT members. Key points included:
 - Merging makes good sense from a financial and human resources perspective (there is also significant membership overlap in the two groups already)
 - Having the groups merge will more likely ensure that the MFT agenda informs the work of the SST
- There will be a joint retreat, which is planned for October 30th. Larry Roper will facilitate and Sherry Watt has agreed to guide a group planning the agenda for the Retreat. SSTX members who agreed to serve include Sarah Hansen, Bill Nelson, Lon Moeller, and Lin Larson. This group will convene soon in order to provide SSTX an update on the agenda at the September 1st meeting.
- Other suggestions included having a conversation about the operational definition of "diversity/multiculturalism" – in incorporating the agenda of MFT into SST, are we speaking of a focus on students of color, or are we also including a discussion of diverse learners including sexual orientation, disability, international students, etc.?
- Susan suggested that it may also be useful to spend some time at the Retreat clarifying the roles and work of the various initiatives (which efforts have come out of SST, etc.?).

Discussion of Large Group Meetings for 2009-10

- Typically, we hold two large group meetings per semester (in the fall, one of those has been the Retreat).

Fall Meetings:

- September 22, 2-3:30, W401 PBB
- October 30th, IMU, Time to be determined (Retreat)
- December 1st, 1-2:30, location TBD (We thought it would be a good idea, given the merger, to have three meetings first semester – if we don't need this time, we can cancel)

Spring Meetings:

- February 26th, 10-11:30
- April 20th, 1:30-3

Suggested topics included:

- Flood Recovery
- Partnership for Alcohol Safety
- Motivational Interviewing
- Provost's Strategic Initiative Task Forces
- Ombudsperson's Office (Emil passed this suggestion along after the meeting)



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