

**MINUTES**  
**SPC – Student Services – Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup> , 3-4 pm / Miller Oval**  
**Chair, Christine Shane**

Present – C. Shane, M. Krell, J. Fiske, C. Goldman, , Hank Parkinson, B. Cummings, T. Rouseeau, R. Diakite, W. Cummings, P. Wiezer, R. Bowen, R. Hines, ,P. Weizer, Karen Valeri, Erin Travia,

**Mission and Charge**

The committee spoke in generalities about how we would orient ourselves towards the work at hand. Christine provided a packet which included an agenda for this meeting, information on Millennials, Summary of first SPC meeting (5/2/24), our committee's charge, plus a PowerPoint containing the schedule of the Strategic plan globally, plus a reading list. All this will be placed on the blackboard site as soon as it is available.

The committee spoke about what types of information would be useful for our task.

- NEASC self study
- Common data set, Factbook
- Book – Anatomy of College Tuition
- Marty Meehan article as published in the Boston Globe, may 2014
- CSI data
- Vision project
- Institutional data, such as student surveys (Climate survey, Student engagement survey)
- Yearly reports from the various student service offices

Christine sought input from various members of the committee as to what might be some priorities/concerns. She asked us to evaluate the charge/questions. Several points emerged.

- This is a very wide area to cover. We did not realize how many different areas there were within student services.
- Student services at FSU are working with a very low budget relative to sister institutions.
- Student services are linked to student academic success, and provide an environment in which students can get the most from their educational experience.
- We cannot be everything to everyone: there is a need to prioritize, and work from our strengths

- Increasing legal demands on student services must be factored in to our assessments and projections.
- Specific topics touched upon were disabilities, and increasing needs for student mental health services, services to help make FSU welcoming to large numbers of Hispanic students seeking college education, concern with violence such as now addressed by FAVE, career counseling.
- A first year seminar, among other things, could instruct students as to what services are available on campus
- We might wish to look at best practices for student services in various areas, so as not to reinvent the wheel, and make the most efficient use of our resources.

As a conclusion, it was decided to gather together the various offices of student services for an information-gathering forum at our next meeting. We also decided to separate the questions in the charge into two groups – data questions vs. non-data questions. These will be placed on blackboard and addressed from there.

Various people offered to locate resources for summer reading. Rala will find a book on attracting and retaining Hispanic populations at college. Hank said he could suggest an article relative to Student Development.

Christine reminds us that our final white paper will be a report of 4-6 pages with only 2-4 points. We will really have to prioritize.

Next meeting to be scheduled for Wed, June 4<sup>th</sup>. Confirmation forthcoming.

Meeting ended around 4 pm.