

EOPS/CARE Advisory Meeting

Tuesday 08/08/2024

11:00-12:30PM

<https://laccd.zoom.us/j/82608639317>Members Present:

Kaman Ng, EOPS Assistant Director/Counselor

Dawn Reid, Dean of Student Services

Blanca Rodriguez, CARE Coordinator

Mercy Yanez, Dean of EWD/DSPS Director

Deatrice Shernell, LBCC EOPS Coordinator

Katlin Morales, CalWORKs Counselor

Marcela Hernandez, Interim Transfer Center Director

Ludwig Perez, FA Supervisor

Kevin Gallegos, UCLA Representative

Jacob Haik, Director of Sustainability & Compliance

Iveliesse Castro, EOPS Student Representative

Meeting called to order at 11:00 AM

1. Introduction and Welcome
 - a. K.Ng welcomed the committee and everyone introduced themselves.
 - b. K.Ng shared the names of committee members who were not able to join the meeting.
2. Review of agenda and minutes
 - a. Reviewed agenda for this meeting and minutes from the January 2024
 - b. No changes to minutes or agenda. Errors may be emailed to K.Ng, if needed.
3. EOPS/CARE Updates, Report, and Goals
 - a. K.Ng shared highlights of EOPS from 2023-2024. The CCCCO Datamart did not have Spring 24 academic data. K.Ng will share that information once it is published. A report was presented to the committee that included enrollment count, workshops and special event data, and EOPS mandatory contact completion. The unduplicated EOPS enrollment from 23-24 was 660. 24-25 goals were discussed based on the challenges we see.
 - b. B.Rodriguez shared CARE report which included 23-24 CARE activities and enrollment. CARE continued offering in-person events such as Coffee Chats with CARE students and conferences/workshops. A report was shared with the committee detailing CARE activities.
 - c. D.Reid shared updates regarding NextUp staffing. A current LAHC full time counselor will be joining the NextUp team as the Coordinator/Counselor. D.Reid shared the great work that the current two adjunct counselors have been doing with our NextUp students. The committee asked if this new counselor meets the MQ of an EOPS counselor. D.Reid shared some of the experiences that this counselor has had experience with underserved students.
 - d. I.Castro shared feedback to EOPS as a student representative and as someone who has worked in the program as a tutor. She shared EOPS is doing a great job and hope to see that we continue to offer EOPS students transfer support. As a transfer student, the process can feel overwhelming and lost, so transfer services are very important to students.
4. Updates and Changes from CCCCO Pertaining FA
 - a. K.Ng shared that the CCCCO has announced changes with continuing EOPS students regarding financial aid.
 - a. K.Ng asked L.Perez his advice on seeking unmet needs for all EOPS students. The EOPS team also thanked L.Perez and the Financial Aid team on their constant support with EOPS students. The EOPS team feels that we can go to financial aid with any student questions.

- b. L.Perez mentioned a few Financial Aid challenges. He also recommended that the best way to obtain a list of all EOPS students' unmet needs would be from I.E.
- 5. Service Recommendations
 - a. 55th Anniversary
 - a. The group did not have too much time to discuss the 55th anniversary plans, but K.Ng shared that EOPS has order t-shirts for campus community and students. We will be giving them out and having 1 day that we hope the whole campus will wear the shirt.
 - b. K.Ng also shared that Region 7 (the Region that LAHC EOPS belongs to) will do a virtual watch party sometime in September. More information to come.
- 6. Campus and Community Partner Updates
 - a. D.Shernell shared that LBCC EOPS continue to support students with supplies and back to school activities. LBCC EOPS offers many off-campus activities (Hamilton, Catalina Island) to students. They are also preparing a Back-to-School BBQ event.
 - b. M.Hernandez thanked the EOPS CARE team for their collaboration throughout the year with field trips and hope to continue collaborating. She mentioned that the UCLA STOMP Conference is a good one to collaborate and with last year being the first year to bring back the in-person trip.
 - c. L.Perez reported that summer FA disbursement was a challenge and that they are still waiting to disburse funds to a small number of students. Fall disbursement is set, but summer was a manual process, which is why it is taking a lot of time.
 - d. K. Gallegos shared that UCLA data for CCC is not out yet. He will send it to LAHC via Transfer Center when they come out next week. He also shared that he will no longer be serving LAHC as he will be moving location. He said that he will be sure to introduce the next representative to our committee and hope that they will be able to serve. The committee thanked him for his commitment to our group and wished him the best.
 - e. K.Morales shared that CalWORKs will continue offering workshops to CalWORKs students and will be working more closely with Life Skills Center to offer mental health support.
- 7. Other items
 - a. D.Reid and K.Ng thanked each committee member for their support.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30PM