

AWE Steering Committee Minutes

12/18/09 (Woohoo it's the last day of the semester!)

Attendees: Melissa Raby, Lahna VonEpps, Casey Bonavia, Kathy Schultz, Ida Ponder, Alicia Kolstad, John Leamy, Craig Johnston, Raelene Juarez, Karin Rodts, Adrienne Seegers, Meryl Soto, Doralyn Foletti, Kim Zubek, Vonna Breeze-Martin, Dennis Gervin, Anne Cavagnaro, Lauren Campana, Melissa Colon, Gary Mendenhall,

Students: Sigil Smelkowska-Blackwolf, Ashley Bleadorn, Emily Valentine, Hanna Davis, Kim Habekost, Erik Cofer, Danielle Pellini

1. Welcome and Introductions 9:00-9:15

2. The Dot and Core Committee Report by Adrienne

The book *The Dot* by Peter Reynolds was read by Adrienne, great job.

The key items brought forward from the Core Committee retreat are:

- Better Assessment and Placement for our students
- Continued use/improvement of student email
- Increased usage of Early Alert
- Faculty, Staff and Student involvement in AWE
- X-Reg and more program information available for students
- Visibility of the AWE activities, ideas, successes
- Creating a Teaching and Learning Community at Columbia College

3. Student Testimonials by the FIG Leaders

Craig: AAC, First Semester Experience – two students, Kim and Erik spoke of their experience within the program

Craig and Karin: DSPS/LDS Tutoring - success with one of our blind students

Doralyn/Michelle: Boots to Books – still in process

Melissa: Visibility and Distance Education – continuing

Vonna: ESL and ESL Enhancement – Success with a GED in Spanish with 32 students

Alex: Research

Gary: House Call and Side Car – continuing in 2010

Ashley and Danielle: Student Focus – excited to work with Paul Nixon and the Middle College students, mentoring

Kim: Wellness – new programs coming

Alicia: On Ramp – is a go for summer

Lynn: Online Orientation – positive feedback has been received from students that have used this tool.

Susan: Early Alert

4. AWEstars!

Staff or Faculty or Students who have shown a great commitment to making the AWE tenets successful were recognized:

Raelene Juarez for her smart success with her students and the sustainability practices initiated

Hanna Davis for her tutoring support in the AAC and with FSE

Kim Zubek for the compassion she shows students requiring health services or a shoulder to lean on.

Emily Valentine for her tutoring support in the AAC

Laureen Campana for the tireless work for students

Sigil – a tutor since 2005 who helps and challenges those she has helped in the AAC

Casey Bonavia for her participation in the first Basic Skills task force and her continued commitment to helping Math students.

Congratulations to all!!!

See you in the Spring –

Spring Steering Committee Dates:

1/22/10

2/19/10

3/19/10

4/23/10

All held in the Cellar from 9:00-10:30

Submitted by: Cindy DuLany