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Agenda

1. Greetings and Introductions
2. Approval of Last Meeting's Notes [see handout: *2014-12-09- NOTES-AC.docx*]
3. Thought Leadership in College Completion – Focused Discussion Series
 - a. Issue #5 – Supplemental Academic Instruction, by *Vicki Golich (MSU Denver)*
4. Legislative Update – *Kachina Weaver, CDHE*
5. Prior Learning Assessment, discussion item for CCHE – *Rhonda & Ian*
 - a. Review of possible common PLA cut scores for AP, CLEP, IB
 - i. The following accept a 3 on every AP exam: California State University System, Florida, Indiana, Kentucky, Minnesota, North Dakota, Ohio, and South Carolina. The following accept a 3 on almost every AP exam and 4's on some, esp. in science, math & World Languages: Oregon, South Dakota and West Virginia. All these states also set 50 as the minimum CLEP score and 4 as the minimum on most IB exams.
 - b. Colorado Revised Statute 23-1-125(4) states that institutions "...shall grant full course credits to students for the [gtPathways] core courses they successfully test out of, free of tuition for those courses."
 - i. Institutions publish a policy and process for awarding credit based on portfolio review and for challenge exams that will allow students to test out of lower-division gtPathways coursework.
 - ii. DHE request institutions provide information on how they are implementing this statute and to collect data on number of tries and pass rates in a SURDS file – bringing this to DAG.
 - c. Guarantee that credits earned through PLA at one public institution will be accepted in transfer at any receiving public institution.
6. Policy review of COF, Extended Studies, and Service Area policies – *Andrew Rauch, CDHE*



7. Policy and procedures for counting and accepting American Sign Language credits in public higher education institutions in Colorado – *Ian Macgillivray, CDHE*
 - a. [See handout, *i-partu carl edits and ian edits.docx*] This policy allows the successful completion of American Sign Language courses to apply toward the World Language requirement in the [Higher Education Admission Requirements](#) (HEAR). The changes were requested since inconsistencies and incorrect information were identified and there was clearly a need for clean-up. Ian and Carl reviewed and made recommendations for adjustments (see tracked changes) and wanted to send it out to you all for feedback.

8. Colorado Department of Human Services is developing a framework for the state regarding the increasing Baby Boomer population in Colorado. They want the framework to be broad and include input from DHE and institutions of higher education.
 - a. Input from this group or a list of programs your institution supports for this audience?