



Admission Council Meeting NOTES

Thursday, October 11, 2018, 2:00-4:00 pm

Department of Higher Education

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Attendance:

Table with 4 columns: Name, Institution, Name, Institution. Rows include Carl Einhaus (CDHE), Mathew Cox (UCCS), Timalyn O'Neill (CSU), Vaughn Toland (MSU Denver), Tiffany Kingrey (CSU Pueblo), Jess Savage (Fort Lewis), Catherine Wilson (CU Denver), and Kim Medina (Mines).

1. Greetings and Introductions

2. THAN YOU ALL for your assistance with Free Application Day!!!!

CDHE will solicit feedback for how October 30th goes. Some suggestions from the Council include having the day earlier (maybe early October) as many students are encouraged to apply early.

3. Updated Admission Policy – re-overview and touch-base regarding details

Carl provided a presentation on the new Admission Policy to the Council as a refresher and to be sure everyone was clear on the changes – it was the presentation that he provided at all of the CCHS/CR fall HS Counselor Workshops. Additionally, Carl did make it clear during the workshop presentations that the mid-50% ranges are a way to describe admission factors at IHEs, and that if a student had below these ranges it did NOT mean that they are not competitive for admission.

a. HEAR – confirming we still want to report on it

All in attendance stated that they still wanted to report HEAR to SURDS so we can have statewide data on how HEAR impacts and predicts student success in college. Some IHEs will continue to collect HEAR even if it is decided in the future to stop reporting it to SURDS.

b. Guarantee Transfer reminder

i. Revisit CE exclusion

Carl explained concerns that some have expressed with excluding CE courses from defining if the student is a transfer, and as a result, from being eligible for the transfer guarantee. All in attendance felt that it was in the best interest to exclude college courses taken before HS graduation as to ensure students are not excluded from first-time student benefits (like scholarships and priority consideration to live in res halls). Additionally, it was also asked that evidence be provided that excluding CE courses from the definition of transfer somehow harms a student in admission or otherwise.

ii. Request to include “transferable associate degree” in the guarantee



Besides AA/AS transfer degrees, there are no statewide transfer degrees – others that include AAS and AGS agreements are institution to institution. As such, it doesn't make sense to include other transferable degrees in the guarantee. Further, there was a concern to include such language would cause more confusion than benefit. However, a student with another associate degree would likely still be a strong candidate for admission. We can revisit this though after we have a few years of data on the transfer guarantee.

- c. Concerns/questions about transition
None expressed. All in attendance said there were ready!
- d. Etc. etc.

If your institution hasn't already, please send a picture of students at your institution to include on the CDHE Admission Page.

4. Updated Index (factoring in SAT/ACT concordance changes from June 2018)
*Carl created draft updates of the index chart to reflect the updated concordance which College Board and ACT promoted in the early summer. He will see if CIC will be able to update the index calculator as well. The new index chart will need to be approved by CCHE. IHEs have expressed the need for the update as there are still two more terms (spring and summer) in which the index will still be relevant. Carl also reminded the group that as the index is retiring beginning fall 2019, CDHE will no longer be maintaining it (an archive link to the chart will still be maintained for historical purposes) – if you haven't already, *please be sure your academic departments are aware of this in case any scholarships or admission criteria are tied to the index and they can make the necessary changes.**
5. Program wait list discussion
Carl brought a question from Chris Rasmussen (Director of Academic Affairs) regarding if Admission staff had a pulse on which academic programs/careers had a wait list at their institution in which if they had more funding/resources they could alleviate. Besides Nursing and similar health fields, no one in attendance had this information and felt that department chairs were likely the best to know. The question was asked so that plans could be made to help support programs leading to high demand industries if needed.
6. Additional Items?
7. Follow up from last meeting and reminders:
 - PWR Endorsed Diploma Workgroup update – *A proposal will be presented and discussed at the December CDE Board Meeting – Carl will keep the Council updated.*
 - Statewide Electronic Transcript Sharing – *A group of Registrars met last week to discuss a basic plan of implementing a statewide transcript exchange in EDI or XML format. Carl is scheduling a time to meet with CCCS to talk about this at high level. Besides the great operational efficiencies this project could lead to for all IHEs, it could be a strong promotional effort to demonstrate what IHEs are doing on their own to improve efficiencies, innovate, and promote student success without the need for legislation or policy. Carl will keep the Council updated.*
8. Topics for next meeting?
9. Next meeting: **Thursday, December 13, 2018**