Equity and Inclusion Team Meeting Minutes Wednesday, February 17, 2016

Present: Carla Boyd, Tammy Clark-Betancourt, Ashley Hargrove, Candace McNeal, Bob Mattson, Ryan Minier, Carol Nichols, Barb Weldon, Shanay Wright

Investigations: The Fall 2016 schedule was discussed and that there is a need to recruit additional instructors. Carla is willing to teach one section. Ryan is unable this Fall. Bob indicated that based on the number of students believed to need the pilot section, we could need 3-4 sections. It was suggested that our first pool to recruit instructors from would be those who are already teaching a traditional section. Carla & Ryan will take the lead on the e-mail campaign to recruit instructors. Bob suggested scheduling the pilot at a time that is concurrent with a traditional section. However, scheduling will be dependent on the instructor's availability so the first priority would be to recruit at least one, preferably two more instructors.

There was considerable discussion about scheduling issues, students getting enrolled in the pilot sessions and whether or not this initiative should be continued. It was decided to wait until after the meeting with the Counselors on Thursday, February 18 before making a decision. Tammy will send an email with the results of that meeting and we will decide via e-mail if we should offer the pilot sections in the fall.

Carla distributed the results of the evaluations (assessments) from her pilot sections. Overall they were positive.

Getting Ahead – DHA: Carla requested assistance from the team to prepare an information sheet for Governor Rauner's Chief Executive Officer, who will be on campus in the future. The team provided suggestions and Carol agreed to assist since she has experience with writing.

"The Student Voice" Focus Group: Ashley provided a summary of all the responses to the focus group questions that were distributed via e-mail to the invitees of the last focus group. Tammy will send with the minutes. All team members should read these with the intention of identifying possible future initiatives for this team — especially in the event that the Investigations initiative is discontinued.

Next Meetings: Wednesday, March 16, 8:00 am, VH-102