



## Guided Pathways Meeting Notes Friday, January 21, 2022



- 1) Changes to coordinator group structure
  - a) With Melissa in the Dean role and Lawrence stepping down, we lack Coordinators in 3 PACE areas and it's late to try to find new ones
  - b) If the focus for Spring is to plan and offer events, the continuing coordinators can work with assistance from program leads and maybe student help
    - i) Can re-offer program lead stipends for faculty interested in helping to plan & lead program-specific events
  - c) Need to clarify the meeting structure: do we still wish to have one meeting per month with only coordinators or do we want full steering committee at every meeting?
    - i) All committee members make valuable contributions to planning; may be best to have full committee at all meetings, but assign coordinators to tasks requiring completion outside of meeting time
- 2) Status check re: readiness to launch "pace@solano" pages
  - a) PACE Coordinators: Please review the pages for depts. in your respective area(s) to see if these are complete & ready to launch.
  - b) Delay of students returning to campus also delayed our PACE marketing push; upside is it bought a little time. Cards are printed but very few distributed; social media push is designed but awaiting our green light.
  - c) Melissa shared the cards and social media push designed by JTM
    - i) Student rep said it's too wordy and not catchy for students. Recommended streamlining language to focus on choosing a major & choosing classes.
    - ii) Back to the drawing board re: "PACE" acronym; VP Williams prefers "Guided Pathways" name as it's recognized at the state level, and also "PACE" has different meanings in other local community contexts. Doesn't clearly communicate the intent of Guided Pathways.
  - d) Laura M. Proposed new branding, "GPS" (Guided Pathways, Solano) to replace PACE. The team, including VP Williams and student rep Kelvin all preferred this branding: keeps "Guided pathways" in the name and associates directly with navigation which aligns with the purpose of GP
    - i) Melissa will reach out to Rachel Smith and to JTM to regarding feasibility and timeline for developing GPS branding
- 3) Confirm involvement of department leads



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- a) Melissa will follow up by email with PACE Coordinators to ensure we have an accurate list of dept. leads who actively contributed in Fall, to receive stipends
- 4) Introduce student rep, Kelvin Chan
  - a) Kelvin is finishing up transfer requirements in Biology and Legal Studies and will transfer in Fall to UC Berkeley as pre-med. He is also the ASSC President, a member of the Speech & Debate team, and an ASTC tutor. Wow!
- 5) Revisit team training opportunity: Summer institute at CCRC (Columbia University)
  - a) Coordinators interested in attending as a team
  - b) Application due Feb 8; Melissa will draft and forward for feedback
- 6) Other:
  - a) Tassel:
    - i) Next phase of Tassel contract will focus on customizing workforce component for CTE programs, focusing on local employers, career paths, wages etc.
    - ii) Would be helpful if Tassel could interface with eLumen so that changes to courses through Curric process would be reflected in program maps instead of requiring manual re-entry
  - b) Spring goal: One or more event(s) connecting students with employers or career pathways