

MCCCARE Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2015

Chris Baldwin – MCCA

Legislative Update

Mostly through the budget process; roads proposal failed miserably; the 1.4% increase in funding for community colleges was maintained, suggesting continued support by the state; continued funding for MPSERS reform; base allocations will be received by institutions with no change expected at this time; \$6 million line item for part-time student grants was lost due to road proposal failure; not sure if part-time student grant will be reintroduced next year; governor continues to emphasize desire to increase performance based funding (completions, in particular); new performance based taskforce is being created; discussion of performance metrics will likely include possibility of including current VFA measures since most institutions in MI are participating.

Block transfer agreements – taskforce will be formed this summer in hopes of advancing the initiative to increase the number of students completing an associate's degree prior to transfer using 2+2 agreements, etc.

Michigan New Jobs Training program – recent changes to minimum wage has caused challenges; hearing is scheduled for next week, but this will continue to be an uphill battle considering the state's current fiscal standing.

MCCA Update

Business Leaders of Michigan – published report in February emphasizing need to increase educated workforce; supports performance based funding in Michigan.

Guided Pathways, Governor's Metrics, CWID Principles & Project Win-Win Round 2 Updates

Guided Pathways – focuses on getting students into programs of study faster; wrap-around supports at front-end and throughout experience at institutions; first cohort of 12 colleges started in January; second cohort (12 colleges) will start in late 2015-early 2016.

Credit When It's Due & Project Win-Win Round 2 – both initiatives focus on increasing number of completions. CWID yielded a 10% success rate of students identified with the potential to benefit. CWID has resulted in conversations regarding the ease of sharing transcript data across institutions. MCCA is working with NSC to consider ways to relieve some of these burdens. Most institutions are using archaic methods – snail mail, fax, email.

VFA, CEPI

How can we reach a place where there is a synergy around the submission and use of data? MCCA is willing to continue playing a role in facilitating discussions on improving the user's experience. CEPI is being pressured to release cohort outcome data. MCCA supports use of metrics that mirror VFA.

Matching Workforce & Education Data

Progress is being made. Sticking pointing continues to be the fact that CEPI does not have social security numbers. Talent Agency and Workforce Development have been negotiating with Secretary of State to match driver's license data in a way that avoids use of SS#. The purpose is for institutions to (eventually) have access to labor market data on a subset of students.

Naomi Livengood - Treasurer's Report

Current balance is \$3,274.27 (prior to today's lunch).

Naomi encourages comments or suggestions regarding lunch options.

Nick Baker – MCCCARE

Officer Elections - Officer nominations were made in March. Secretary (Tammy Russell) and Vice-Chair (Eileen Brennan) remain the same at this time. Nominations are as follows: Nick Baker, Chair; Naomi Livengood, Treasurer; Mike Wood, Technical Liaison; Deirdre Syms, Member at Large. Motion made and approved for all four positions.

MCCCARE Website Maintenance – There has been recent confusion regarding meeting dates, etc. due to the website being out of date. Nick requested members to volunteer to maintain the site. Rob and John volunteered to assist. Lori Hancock will provide them with login access. The MCCCARE forum board is available through the site; Mike Wood continues to maintain the forum.

Nick is on an ACS taskforce requested by the legislature. Community colleges have four representatives. Meeting is scheduled for next week to discuss possible changes to business office and financial aid reporting. HEIDI system is being considered as a way for community colleges to report these data. State budget office wants community colleges to include MPSERS data, which some CFOs are not currently reporting. Categories 1.6 and 1.7 may be combined as there is ambiguity regarding distinction between the two.

Federal government is exploring rating system for all colleges and universities in the nation. The feds are looking at the Brookings Institute for possible metrics. Check the site – www.brookings.edu/research/reports or Google “Brookings value added data explorer”

MI/AIR conference is Nov 4-6 in Traverse City.

CEPI-STARR Update – upload open Monday, May 18 – June 18. If you submitted your data early, they will do an in-depth error check. The early check is often a dry run for next year’s error check process. Contact person will receive email with results. New CSV to XML converter app is reducing errors, so you are encouraged to use it. There is a new STARR Data Manual. Mike Wood expressed concern that MSU, U of M, and CMU appear to have not entered course grades. Nick will inquire about this issue. Next P-20 Council meeting is tomorrow.

A Completions Task Force has been established in Michigan using the following metrics - completions, transfers, and other (did not transfer or complete). MCCA hopes to align with the VFA.

MiPortal IHE reports – several new reports are available.

Ken Trzaska/Nick Baker – MCCDEC

Committee will be looking at officers at tomorrow’s meeting. Ken will be resigning from the chairperson position. In addition to standard agenda items, group will be discussing the reports taxonomy and the PROE.

Data Workshop is Friday, 7/31/15. Draft agenda was distributed. Suggestions for additions or changes were invited. Handouts and PowerPoints will be available to sessions that attendees are unable to attend due to attending another session at the same time.

CEPI – Demonstration on Postsecondary Reports on MiSchoolData.org website

New Business & Misc.

Unemployment rate in MI was 5.4% in April, equal to the nation’s unemployment level.

A question was posed by Rob at Jackson about any existing data requests forms that IR offices are using. The forum would be a great place to post/share.

Don’t forget to update tuition/fees on mccnet site. Due November 1.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammy Russell, MCCCARE Secretary