# Taskforce on College & Career Readiness (TCCR) Meeting Minutes June 27, 2014

In Attendance

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**Absent** 

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## 1. Call to Order

Rusty Monhollon called the meeting to order and thanked members for their attendance.

### 2. Updates and Reports

a. Review of Last Meeting

There were no changes or additions to the minutes from the last meeting in April. The minutes were approved.

b. SBAC Higher Education Meetings

There were no SBAC updates at this meeting.

## 3. Old Business

#### a. Mathematics Summit

Rusty discussed the upcoming mathematics summit with the group. He expressed to members that this summit is largely going to explore those alternate pathways and also the necessary course redesign to support those pathways. Jennifer discussed the planning of the summit to date and guided the task force through the draft program and the list of speakers that have been identified. The task force agreed that the speakers identified would be appropriate for the summit, and that the program was nicely structured. Rusty expressed to the group that the planning committee will continue to guide the effort as we get closer to the final stages of planning the summit. Rusty mentioned that he will provide feedback to the group on the summit at the September meeting.

## 4. New Business

## a. Data Workgroup Progress

The data workgroup met in the morning before the TCCR. During their meeting, the data workgroup largely agreed that they need to further explore and conduct some data analysis on a set of multiple measures. They discussed reaching out to DESE for various data elements such as EOC exam scores, information on whether a student took math in their senior year, and various other variables that may be useful in predicting student success. The workgroup not only discussed those academic variables, but also whether or not it would be necessary to include demographic variables as well. It was mentioned that it will most likely be necessary to include some of those demographic variables into the model. The group discussed working on gathering these data elements and performing some data analysis to see what the best model would be in terms of predicting student success. Rusty mentioned that it would be highly beneficial to have some analysis done before the legislative session begins so that we can provide the results to the legislature. The workgroup agreed and discussed ways in which they could provide some results by November or December. With that said, it may be difficult for the workgroup to gather all the necessary data elements, especially those needed from DESE.

## b. Implementation Plan, Assessment & Placement

The group discussed the issue of placement, the placement scores in the policy as well as other multiple measures. We would like to see all institutions using these scores and other measures by fall 2015. Many institutions are beginning to pilot their own placement process this year, and it may be useful to look over their data once it is available so as to see if what they use will be helpful in accurately placing students into or out of developmental education courses. The task force will also continue to rely upon the data group as they work towards a model of the best multiple measures that institutions can use. This include high school GPA, End-of-Course exams, whether or not they took math their senior year, their reading level, ACT composite and

subscore, etc. Further discussion regarding placement was tabled until the Sept 26 due to low member attendance.

c. Next Steps

The task force agreed that the next steps need to include implementing the placement scores and ensuring that institutions are in compliance and using these scores by Fall 2015. A policy or document must be created so as to guide institutions through this process, and provide them with resources that will help them to implement the dev ed policy on their campuses.

## **5.** Announcements

a. Upcoming Meeting Dates

The next meeting is scheduled for Sept 26 at the MACC campus in Columbia, room 132 from 9am – 3pm. Also, the group decided that the last TCCR meeting of 2014 will be held on Nov 21. It was discussed that this would be a joint meeting between the CCA and TCCR in order to discuss various curricular issues that are part of the TCCR implementation plan. This can be discussed further at the Sept meeting.