



Cooperating Raleigh Colleges

CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICERS COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2018, 3 p.m.

Meredith College

Johnson Hall, Executive Suite Conference Room

Committee Chair/Host—Matthew Poslusny

In attendance: **Meredith College**—Matthew Poslusny, Senior Vice President and Provost; **Saint Augustine's University**—Yvonne Umphrey, Provost; **Wake Technical Community College**—Sandra Dietrich, Vice President, Curriculum Education Services & Chief Academic Officer; **NC State University**—Louis Hunt, EMAS-Enrollment Management & Services Sr. Vice Provost; **CRC**--Jenny Spiker, CRC Director

Introductions and welcome—Matthew Poslusny welcomed the group to Meredith and asked everyone to update us on key projects on his/her campus.

Yvonne Umphrey:

At Saint Augustine's she said the high points included starting spring registration and continuing to work on SACS' two points for their compliance. They are preparing their response report on financial stability issues and institutional effectiveness which includes documenting their use of results for continuous improvement. The due date is Nov. 19th. They recently had a very entertaining Homecoming, even though they lost the game, and they finished mid-terms a couple of weeks ago.

Sandra Dietrich:

She reported that Wake Tech opened its RTP (Research Triangle Park) campus this summer. It is IT anchored and had 800 students show up, a surprising number. They will add another building in fall 2019. And students can get college transfer degrees there too. It is a work force continuing education campus with rooms that are designed to pull back the curtains so people can see students working. It is partnering with IBM, and the next building will have a huge biopharmaceutical program to show students what an associate degree in biopharma is like.

In today's election there is a Wake Tech bond on the ballot for adding buildings on the Southern and Northern campuses.

She said their online enrollment is crazily active and almost all students are in Wake County. She said they hit one in ten residents in Wake County so they need more resources. And they are now looking for more home schooled high school students.

Louis Hunt:

He said that NC State has the biggest freshman and transfer classes ever with overall total admission the largest ever. They are looking carefully at the next two years and even as far as 2025 and 2035. They will soon have two new buildings on the centennial campus. And they are working with community colleges on C3

(Community College Collaborative) programs for the transfer pipeline. They recently received a large gift for the College of Textiles.

Matthew Poslusny:

He said Meredith has been paying close attention to the Department of Transportation's 440 expansion. And it's good that the footprint continues to shrink so much less of the Meredith campus will be affected. They are finishing up their major Beyond Strong fundraising campaign with \$87 million raised for their \$75 million goal. This year's freshman enrollment is up a little over last year. They have a 4+1 MBA program and a program with Campbell University (3+3).

Minutes—The minutes from the Nov. 6, 2017 meeting were approved.

Updates on current/recent CRC projects—Jenny Spiker

- **50th Anniversary**—She talked about the 140+ people who came from a variety of groups from community leaders and elected officials including the mayor and mayor pro tem to students, administrators and faculty members at the Sept. 24th event at the Executive Mansion. She also reminded them about the video shown there and the website pages with information on the anniversary celebration. She pointed out the summary sheet on the emphases to the community and the list of key points from the latest Economic Impact Study that was highlighted at the event.
- **Second staff professional development workshop**—She referred them to the brochure from last summer's event at the Southern Wake Tech campus with a huge attendance of about 170 people from all levels of employment at all six institutions. And the committee is now working on the planning for the third workshop in July 2019.
- **Librarians workshop**—The 11th annual workshop took place on July 24th last year at NC State's Hunt Library. The schedule was in their packets, and a new committee has been selected to work on the 12th annual one this coming summer.
- **Adjunct (non-tenure-track) Professors Professional Development Project**—This project also continues with another workshop coming up next semester.
- **Entrepreneurship committee**—She referred to the notes from the Jan. 8, 2018 meeting of the entrepreneurship leaders and the list of participants.
- **Student government leaders**—Several groups of Student Government Association leaders have met in the last half year: the 50th anniversary committee brought them together for a brainstorming session, then Meredith College's SGA invited SGA members from the other five campuses to a campus tour and meeting. That group plans to have a campus tour once a semester. And now CRC is helping Danya Perry on the Wake County Economic Development organization as a part of the Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce to organize an Intercollegiate Advisory Committee to give advice to them about what college students are looking for in careers and community involvement. The SGA presidents plus one other SGA member from each campus will make up that new committee.

Other topics and issues to consider—from last year's meeting

Groups to get together. The members said the following groups would be good to convene:

SACS Liaisons, Retention and First Year Success leaders, Articulation leaders, and maybe even the Advancement leaders concentrating on working with alumni(ae).

- **Other ideas for this group**

- Find more ways to get the word out about cross-registration.
- Work on pipeline programs together, especially doing outreach to low income areas and for diversity at places like NC State.
- Tell the new SGA group about the Wake Tech Idol program and consider inviting all campuses to take part.
- Consider dual enrollment programs and a CRC plan for that. (Among the suggestions were having a course by one college on another college campus, or a program similar to Wake Tech's Vernon Malone campus that works with Wake County Public School students.)
- Bring together deans from some specific academic areas, such as STEM and health sciences.
- Bring an admissions group together.

--Submitted by Jenny Spiker