



University Council Student Engagement and Success

Minutes: May 22, 2012

Attendees: Gannon, Debbie; Kline, John; Levy, Paul; Mothes, Holly; Steer, David; Thorpe, Lauri.

Absent: Fey, Charlie; Herstich, Carolyn; Krovi, Ravi; Pleuss, Carol

Meeting called to order at 9:00 am.

I. Discussion: Feedback/Acceptance for support of the Akron Experience:

Q: How is the Akron Experience committee going to show where we are now and this program, Akron Experience, has succeeded if we do not have a starting point?

- **What are their benchmarks?**
- **What are their goals?** They should have goals. They should be able to tell us where we are now and where we want to be in 5 years.
- **What are they using as their starting number of students in attendance at UA?**
- **Building the academic core/foundation:**
 - Leadership
 - BCSSE assessment
- **How will they show this has a measurable and contribution to Vision 2020?**
 - 40,000 students at UA
 - Higher graduation rate
 - Higher placement
- **Raise in enrollment - How do we know the reason for the increase is the academic standards set by admissions vs. The Akron Experience?**
- **Where are they going based on what they are saying? The Akron Experience presentation needs to address:**
 - 80% placement rate
 - 60% graduation rate
 - 40,000 enrollment
- **Developing students makes a great deal of sense.**
- **We would like to see a change in the wording "We will create true citizens of the world" to "We will create true citizens of the United States..."**
- In principle we support the Akron Experience but we would like to see the three questions/concerns addressed at the University Council meeting on June 12.

II. No unfinished old business

III. New Business – summer meetings.

- Goals for this committee during the summer and next year

- Idea – the next place for this committee to start would be to help implement the Akron Experience. Once the new director of the Akron Experience is in place we as a group could meet with him/her and see where we could help.
- We could act as their advising committee. We will wait to meet with the director and Stacey Moore for direction.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:55 am.

Future meeting dates and times:

DATE	TIME	PLACE*
Monday, June 18	9:00-10:00	STUN 322