



FYE Programming Committee Meeting
Friday October 9 at 11:00am
Lee: S-262D, Collier: M-120A, Charlotte: O-118, HG: A-111

Whitney Rhyne	Present	Mary Schultz	Present
Alexis Augustenborg	Present	Taryn Mitchell	Absent
Amy English	Present	Tom Buckingham	Present
Kelley Newhouse	Absent	Tiziana Marchante	Present
Kristi Rickman	Present	Wanda Day	Present
Lynn Gledhill	Present		

Fall Data (in progress)

Whitney started by sharing the sign-in numbers for FYE workshops. Currently, about 2,800 students have signed in for FYE programming. Collier numbers are not included in this total. Collier should now have a seminar button on their AccuTrack computer to record student attendance. Both qualitative and quantitative survey results had been very good. 94.7% of FYE workshop participants survey respondents college-wide would recommend the workshop to a friend. All campuses are doing a great job recording survey results.

Campus Reports

Collier – Dr. Buckingham reported that the Root Beer Float Social was a success with over 100 students attending

Hendry/Glades – Amy English reported that How to Read Your Textbook was successful with 5 and 6 students attending each session that is great for Hendry Glades.

Lee – Whitney Rhyne reported that all sessions are receiving good attendance, and we are overflowing our scheduled programming rooms regularly.

Fall FYE Programming Schedule

The Committee discussed what had been working well and possible areas for improvement. Professor Day stated there is more programming on the Charlotte campus than ever before and that the times are planned and scheduled well, offering a wide variety of options for students. Professor Schultz mentioned that Larger scale programming opportunities are offered during her Tuesday and Thursday class are 11:00am during the same week making it difficult to attend. Amy mentioned that the Hendry/Glades Peer Architects are not familiar with the workshops and were not sure where to

locate workshop materials. Whitney highlighted the Peer Architect Resources page in Canvas, which contains numerous resources for Peer Architects. Within the workshop folder, Peer Architects can find shared workshops ranging from time management to prezi to group communication. Dr. Buckingham mentioned the needs for Peer Architects to look ahead on the programming calendar to better prepare for the upcoming workshop and events. Kristi Rickman asked about leadership on the campuses and stated a Collier SGA student was confused as to how to communicate First Year Experience on Collier. Whitney explained the structure, stating the Director of First Year Experience has responsibility and oversight college-wide. The Director is responsible for Peer Architects and FYE Programming, including training and all strategic planning and scheduling. The Academic Support Center provides excellent day to day support for the Peer Architects.

Large-Scale Initiatives

The committee discussed the success of the Financial Literacy sessions with Suncoast Credit Union. Eleven sessions were held across our four campuses with over 700 students attending. Professor Schultz stated the session was great but noted some of her students would have liked to learn more about a specific topic (debt management, credit score, etc.). Tiziana noted that through Financial Aid they hope to offer a workshop focusing on debt. Whitney mentioned the upcoming financial literacy essay contest sponsored by Suncoast Credit Union.

The committee discussed the Walk a Day in My Shoes (Adaptive Services) presentation by Ms. Angie Hartsell, Professor Schultz remarked that it was great, she noted that students liked the handout and the engaging activities.

Whitney noted the upcoming Introduction to the Academic Schools initiative. Dr. McClinton will facilitate a session introducing the School of Pure and Applied Sciences and research opportunities for students on Monday October 26 at 10:30am Dr. John Meyer and his leadership team will do a session introducing the School of Business and Technology on October 22 at 5:00pm.

We will also have USF – College of Pharmacy here on Wednesday, November 4 at 11:00am & 3:00pm for a session introducing their program offerings and opportunities.

College-wide Class Engagement Activities

The Cornerstone class photo contest was a success with over 50,000 album views on our Facebook page. Over 65 classes participated. Our next college-wide Cornerstone engagement initiative is the Cornerstone Fundraising Campaign. This semester the Civic Engagement class selected to support animal clinics and shelters the campaign kicks off this coming week.

Service Saturdays

The current Service Saturdays for this semester are listed below.

September – Beach Cleanup (approximately 400 volunteers serving 800 hours)

October – Cancer Breast Cancer Awareness Walk

October – Surfers For Autism

November – STEM event at the Imaginarium

December – Heart Walk

Spring FYE Programming Ideas

Professor Day asked about having the GPS due dates from each Cornerstone professor to help schedule FYE programming. The committee discussed students focusing on finals towards the end of the semester and how FYE programming is open to any student. Professor Day noted adding a TI-84 graphing calculator workshop to the schedule.

Kristi asked about the GPS requirements and wanted instructors to know that the Office of Student Life now has learning goals and wanted to know best how to get students and faculty to know about the sessions being offered. Professor Schultz denoted using the description section on the events calendar. The committee talked about the professor dissection in regards to grading and evaluating GPS worthy activities as well as the different elements of the GPS (Workshops, Academic Advising, Academic Support, and other).

Minutes submitted by Whitney Rhyne