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College Readiness

November 12th, 2014, 2:15pm-3:30pm

II. Discussion Items:

- a. ABE/ESL Transition to College Event Winter 2015
- b. Presentation by Dan of Possible 2 Unit Courses in the Learning Center
- c. Presentation on New AA Degree Planning Tool and CTC System

III. Items of Interest to the Student Cabinet and/or SAC:

- a. ABE/ESL Transition to College Event in Winter 2015: The committee reviewed a draft of ABE/ESL Transition to College Event that will be held on January 26th, 2015. This will be a great 50 minute events with a goal of introducing students transitioning to college level classes with all the resources available on campus. The event will consists of a powerpoint slide "Steps to Begin College Programs", a campus tour that stops at places such as ARRC, Financial Aid, Student Success Service, Testing, Library, OC&E,Student Learning Center.
- b. Presentation by Dan of Possible 2 Unit Courses in the Learning Center: Dan, the director of Page One Writing Center, proposed that more 2-unit classes are taught in the Writing Center whose focus is on improving reading skills. Instructors are increasingly reporting that students are arriving in transfer level courses unable to read complex texts. Therefore, instead of dropping the course a student with such problem can take classes from the Writing Center, which will include one-on-one tutoring in reading. Although this is just a proposal the board supported Dan's initiative.
- c. Presentation on New AA Degree Planning Tool and CTC System
 The board was presented the prototype of the new AA Degree Planning Tool that is being created because only 17% of students get their AA Degrees and the college want to increase that number. Also, now students can get their degree by only going to school any time of the day. New CTC system will allow students to easily manage the course catalog, plan ahead their schedule, and register for classes from all Community Colleges in Seattle from one website.

IV. Other Notes or Thoughts: