



Student Board Advisory Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, May 17th, 2016

Kaplan Attendees: Jackie Sanchez, Maurice Brown

Student Attendees: Dana Onadja-BS in Nursing, Margaret “Meg” Pugh-BS Health and Wellness, Josh Holcombe-BS Information Technology, Patricia O’Neal-MA Teaching, Danielle Beaulieu-AAS Medical Assisting, Camie Ayash-BS Early Childhood Development, Malcolm Tears II-BS in Finance, Tiffany Howard-BS Business Administration

Time: 7pm CST

Guest Speaker: David Starnes - Chief Academic Officer

Guest Speaker – Chief Academic Officer Updates

David Starnes

- Dave shared that Kaplan recently had their 10-year accreditation visit and the visitors were impressed with the faculty, students, student support, and education Kaplan is providing. He thanked the Board members who were able to meet with the visitors.
- Dave stated that the new learning management system, Brightspace, is coming soon, and they are testing the functionality of the classroom. He noted that Brightspace has many mobile capabilities that will function consistently, and it is a state of the art system, but the timeline for rollout is still pending.
 - Sampling of that feedback:
 - Danielle, Meg, and Camie announced that they were able to attend the session with the accreditation visitors and they enjoyed the discussion that pursued.
 - Malcolm shared the link to D2L so that fellow Board members could research the new platform (<http://www.d2l.com/>).
 - Camie and Dana agreed that they are excited for the launch of Brightspace.

New Member

Meg Pugh

- Meg invited the Board to join her in welcoming the newest member, Dana Onadja, from the School of Nursing. Dana shared that she was nominated by her professor, Dr. Wendy Mason and thanked everyone for their warm welcome.

April Meeting Recap

Meg Pugh

- Meg reminded the Board that in April’s meeting, Jennifer Katz from Career Services gave a presentation on Kaplan’s CareerNetwork 2.0, and she asked if any board members had investigated the available resources.
 - Sampling of that feedback:
 - Dana stated that she reviewed the CareerNetwork as part of an assignment for her NU300 course.

- Camie observed that the CareerNetwork listed many teaching positions in her area, and shared that Career Services helped her improve her resume.
- Tiffany noted that she will be reaching out to Career Services for assistance since she is graduating in July.
- Malcolm suggested that Career Services assist with internship placement.

Faculty Awareness & Student Advocacy

Jackie Sanchez

- Jackie reminded the Board that in April's meeting, they began to brainstorm ways to improve faculty awareness about the Board's existence and mission, and start connecting to their classmates to become advocates and a voice for the student population. She asked the Board to offer suggestions to accomplish this initiative.
 - Sampling of that feedback:
 - Meg stated that she liked the idea of hosting a meet-and-greet with department chairs that was suggested in a previous meeting. Dana agreed that she would be interested in hosting a meet-and-greet session as well.
 - Meg suggested having an open invitation to a SAB meeting.
 - Dana brought up that they should let their professors know that they are a SAB member at the beginning of each term. She also suggested creating a specific SAB email address, and have the SAB membership roster listed within the classroom to let students know where to send questions/concerns.
 - Josh stated that he would like a link under the course home that provides both SAB and faculty contact information.
 - Camie suggested that student life send a flyer out to new students informing them of the SAB. She added that they should create a policy explaining how the SAB members address issues.

Kaplan Radio Update

Meg Pugh

- Meg explained that the transcript for the SAB show was sent to Kaplan Radio and she will share a recording when it is available. She stated that she created a list of questions, she shared the questions with her professor, and she is coordinating a time to meet with her professor to record an interview for a Kaplan Radio segment. She offered to share the template for interview questions with any Board member who might be interested in interviewing one of their professors.
 - Sampling of that feedback:
 - Josh stated that he would be interested in conducting an interview with one of his professors. *After the meeting, Jackie shared the template for interview questions with Josh.*

Open Forum

- Dana commented that she would like to be able to utilize MML during the classroom preview period.