



## Student Affairs Leadership Council

January 30, 2020

9:30-11 a.m. ~ Zoom Video Conference or Portland Center Dam City Conference Room

Dan Larson, Jen Humphreys, Mike Moran, & Denise Harrison hosted the winter Student Affairs Leadership Council (SALC) meeting at OSU's Portland Center. This was Penny's first meeting as chair & facilitator.

- SALC website – Penny
  - Meeting dates
  - Info. about fundraising priorities
  - Can be used as recruitment tool for prospective new members
  - Requested bios for each member
- Food Insecurity – Dan & Denise
  - Taskforce update
  - Food for Thought – repackaging leftovers into meals for students in need
    - Discussed opportunity to work with other institutions who may have leftovers, i.e. assisted living communities. Dan said these orgs all contribute their food to the Linn-Benton Food Share, which then redistributes it.
  - Beavers Fight Hunger campaign – \$58k raised on Giving Tuesday; matching gift from Tom Toomey; will have another match for Dam Proud Day
  - Still a need to generate awareness that this is an issue for OSU students
- Mental Health – Dan
  - Current 6 mo. wait-times for traditional longer-term therapy
  - Now offering single sessions – 30% increase in utilization
  - Wellness Nook is popular – especially visits with dogs! J
  - Kognito – training for faculty, staff, & students to determine when students are in distress; may make this required training for faculty & staff
  - Course syllabi – now including statement in syllabi re. mental health
- Equalizing Student Success – Dan, Penny, Mike, Denise
  - Reviewed 2019 retention & graduation data – best first-year retention rate at 85%, but increasing gap for students of color, first-generation students, & low-income students
  - High impact programs for “new gen” students (first-generation, low-income, & students of color)
    - Faculty/Student Mentor Program
      - Now in its second year; served 180 last AY & 225 this year; 2,000 students in this group we could serve
      - Students have higher GPAs; 7% higher retention rate than their peers
    - Educational Opportunities Program (EOP)
      - 450 current students
      - Again, better graduation rates/retention rates than comparator group

- Discussed matching gift opportunity for Dam Proud Day
  - Hanna Valva will seed a match; Penny will support it; will call it a SALC match
  - Invited all SALC members to make a gift & to be ambassadors for EOP for DPD
  - SALC requested more information on what gifts would support (scholarships & experiential learning); asked that the “hook” be made clear
  - SALC requested talking points about the program & its impact
- State of the University – Denise
  - Reviewed table lists; Jen will be sending lists & talking points
- Next meetings
  - Spring SALC mtg.: April 24<sup>th</sup> on-campus
  - Fall SALC mtg.: Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> on-campus (also day of new student walk & convocation)