



Minutes from 5/26 Meeting

- 1) Welcome Connie Palazzolo and Evis Wilson from the Office of Instruction and Loida Sanchez from Outreach. It is exciting to expand the team and have more areas on both campuses represented.
- 2) Discover Day Debrief
 - There were quite a number of students who attended and many who stopped by the CC table. In fact, all the t-shirts, water bottles, backpacks and gift cards were given to students. More people are starting to recognize the logo and CC in general. In fact, Loida, Connie and Evis stopped by the table and recruited at this event.
- 3) Caring Campus Connections: Liaisons Roundtable Debrief
 - Great to network with other colleges that have adopted the Caring Campus movement.
 - Some events other campuses did were the “We Care” campaign when returning back to campus and welcoming back colleagues, Lunch on Lawn series, facilitated campus tour during Classified School Employees Week, surveyed staff to see what their needs were, hosted College Hour from 12-1pm once a month with student activities and hosted a Classified Professional Retreat.
 - Interesting to see how deans and VPs are heavily involved with Caring Campus, but not sure if this is because those colleges are low on staff.
 - Other colleges have up to 50 members on their CC teams.

- The goal is to reach out to some of the colleges who have adopted Caring Campus and to possibly have a sister college similar to what is being done in the Classified Senate.
- [Caring Campus Roundtable #2 Recording](#)

4) Grad Walk will be on Thursday, June 2 from 3-7pm and the Traditional Commencement Ceremony will take place on Friday, June 3 from 8:00am-11:00am. Help is needed from staff, so please sign-up if available.

5) 2021-2022 Reflections

- Accomplishments:
 - Submitting a budget proposal and being awarded \$20,000 by the District.
 - Awarding 139 Barnes and Noble (bookstore) gift cards totaling \$6,950.
 - Being awarded a \$2,000 ASG Grant for the 2022-2023 academic year.
 - Building the CC team to 18 members.
 - Integrating student feedback to one meeting a month and allowing it to drive current projects.
 - Building all the connections across campuses and increasing campus awareness about CC.
 - The remaining balance is \$7,280.56, so close to \$12,000 has been spent on supporting in-need campus programs/departments.
- Things to Improve Upon:
 - Ending meetings on time and not packing the agenda.
 - Getting to know each other more.
 - Increase size of the group and diversifying area representation.
- Goals
 - Hosting 1-2 events-each campus and possibly partner with Classified Senate.
 - Reach out to other Caring Campus colleges and create a sister team.

- Hear feedback from students who are not involved on campus and more needy in general. It will help to create a more realistic picture of what more students are experiencing.
- Discussion was brought up on helping in some capacity with the recent Texas elementary school shooting in Uvalde.
 - Donate to GoFundMe to the families/school.
 - Make and send a basket to the elementary school along with written letters to show solidarity and support for the survivors/families of victims.
 - The team also discussed ways to protect ourselves if ever in a similar situation since COC is a public campus. Some ideas were to partner with Campus Safety to go through an active shooter training at one of our meetings. Gina shared two videos to watch that the LA County Sheriffs made in order to survive an active shooter.

7) Projects

a) Backpack Campaign

- i) 50 backpacks were stuffed with essential school supplies by some of our members about 3 weeks ago and 25 were given away to students who visited the CC table at Discover Day. They were a huge hit! Students really liked how high quality they were especially since they included a lock and USB piece for charging. The rest may be given to staff in various depts between both campuses and given to students in-need.

b) Graduation Cap and Gown Update

- i) Out of the 100 Cap and Gowns bought by CC to donate to students who have self-identified as in-need, 90 already picked their packs up. A reminder email was sent to those who have not yet picked theirs up. One pack is still left for any student who cannot afford a Commencement pack.

- c) ETI- Justin discussed how he would like to help this group of high functioning special needs students who have just completed training with him in the Warehouse. He would love to provide t-shirts for them or anything to make them feel more valued/supported. He will be

attending the next Autism Alliance meeting. The group discussed that developing a non-credit class for these individuals would be so helpful and consider them COC students.

9) Next Meeting- TBD

- a) Since the group still had a number of ideas to implement, it was agreed to still meet once a month over the summer.
- b) A poll will be going out to see if the current meeting day/time works with the group's schedule especially with the new members.