

**Miami Valley Tech Prep
Spring Coordinator Meeting
March 3, 2016**

Welcome and Introductions – *Dr. Dave Collins*

Provost Dave Collins welcomed coordinators and guests and added that this is one of his favorite meetings. Dr. Collins thanked the coordinators for their efforts and related that Tech Prep students come to Sinclair college-ready and are career-focused. Twelve percent of Sinclair's 2014-15 total enrollment were Tech Prep students.

Topics of discussion included:

- Mid-biennium review
- Sinclair's strategic initiatives
- External forces impacting Sinclair

College Credit Plus – *Melissa Tolle*

Melissa provided state and Sinclair updates and next steps on College Credit Plus. She added that for the first time, CCP courses will be offered for summer semester. Information regarding tuition rates and textbooks was provided. The Faculty Fellows program, which helps with faculty credentialing, hopes to fund 27 teachers this year.

Melissa discussed the CCP Advisory Group and will consider adding new members.

She noted that the intent to participate goes to schools annually. Sinclair does not need a new application unless the student is moving to a different school.

Melissa added that her office would like to know what's working...and what's not. The coordinators may contact her with questions and concerns.

Application Conversion and Sinclair Summer Incentive – *Janet Schmitt*

Janet stated that, like Dr. Collins, this meeting and college night are two of her favorite events. She informed coordinators that high school seniors are beginning to receive communications that are unified and concise. Janet stated because of the secondary setting, Tech Prep students are making successful transitions to college.

She added that at the March Sinclair Board of Trustees meeting, members will vote on providing a summer initiative that allows Tech Prep students to start their college career early (summer semester). Janet said that more information will follow after the meeting.

Express registration postcards are ready and there are a series of events scheduled for summer and fall registration.

A behind-the-scenes software change has occurred. This customer relationship management (CRM) tool will not be visible to everyone, but will allow for better service for students.

Tech Prep Collaboration with Workforce Development and Corporate Services – *Jim Hill and Chad Bridgman*

Jim presented information regarding Accelerate MGF and the need for skilled workers. The need for skilled workers is great, due to the recession and worker retirement, but skilled workers are not in the pipeline. Approximately 300 jobs open up annually. A deficit of manufacturing workers could cause a potential \$4.5 billion revenue loss to Dayton manufacturers by 2025. Jim added that the skilled-worker need is nationwide.

Jim added that filling this need is possible through reaching student prospects that have the aptitude and who enroll and successfully complete their education. An online/hybrid approach allows for flexible learning. Students can also be employed while learning...earning their certificate and then potentially a degree. Many employers will pick up tuition costs after meeting certain requirements.

Chad asked the group if they knew the difference between co-ops and internships. Chad stated that he works closely with Jessie Jones, the BPS Internship Coordinator. They provide tours at various local companies that are in need of co-op and intern students. They will also meet with students 1:1.

Chad's office will provide info to both the employer and student based on needs and skills. The students must interview for positions.

Both Jim and Chad asked that the coordinators contact them with any information or questions.

New Sinclair Health Sciences Facility – *Dr. Rena Shuchat*

Rena provided information regarding degrees and certificates awarded over the past five years in Health Sciences. She also provided Sinclair student passage rates on state and national exams. Sinclair graduates typically see a 114% increase in earnings the first year after graduation. The median annual pay before graduation is \$17,500 and the year after graduation it increases to \$37,400.

Rena stated that the Health Sciences Division has worked with partners to develop a Health Sciences Strategy. Students will train to work together as would happen in a medical setting. Sinclair is leading the charge in creating an inter-professional workforce.

Sinclair is renovating building 14, which includes an addition, to house all Health Sciences programs and faculty and staff. \$31.5 million has been dedicated to this project. Each floor has been designed to coordinate programs that would typically work together in a healthcare environment. This building will also be one of the gateways to the college. The timeline for this project is to begin servicing students in fall of 2017.

Potential JRPTC Addition and BPS Updates – *Dr. Sue Merrell Daley and Elizabeth Orlando*

Sue stated that JRPTC is not currently a career tech programs, but there is the prospect of giving students equal opportunity.

Sue reported that there are 72 programs in the Business and Public Services Division. She looks at her division as 3 families:

- Business and IT
- Public Safety
- Hospitality Management and Culinary

She asked that the coordinators research the 1890s scholarship. This agriculture scholarship may provide many opportunities for students.

Elizabeth presented exam passage rate information. Sinclair's paramedic program students have a state passage rate of 91% and fire science has a 99% passage rate. Students who have a combination degree of fire science/paramedic, beginning fall of 2016, could see an entry-level salary of \$55K.

Wendell added that the BPS Division has the most Tech Prep graduates.

UAS Indoor Flying Pavilion and UAS Training Certification Course – *Clay Pittman*

Clay presented an overview of UAS and the multiple opportunities in this area. He also reported on Sinclair's UAS Center capabilities. Sinclair also has two indoor flight ranges. Clay added that Sinclair has airspace access and is the first two-year college to receive a Section 333 exemption.

Clay reported that the 3 areas that offer the most opportunity are:

- First Responder
- Precision Agriculture
- Geospatial Information

Sinclair Regional Centers Update – *DeAnn Hurtado*

DeAnn stated that there are 4 regional centers: the Courseview Campus Center in Mason and the Englewood, Huber Heights and Preble County Learning Centers connected to YMCAs. Courseview currently has buildings A and B and there are plans for projected growth.

Courseview services Sinclair's southern-area students. There are opportunities to begin and end some certificate and degree programs at this campus. Postcards for the Getting Ready for College event were mailed to 3000 families in the Warren and Butler County area.

Tours can be given at all locations. She added that it takes more than one visit for a student to commit to a college. DeAnn invited the coordinators to contact her for more information.

On-site Registration – *Karen Blake*

Karen stated that she'd been an advisor at Sinclair for some time and it was great to get back into the high schools.

She's been working with students to provide information as well as completing registration. Karen suggests that high school teachers and staff remind students that if they decide not to attend college and are registered, they need to contact Karen or drop their classes online.

Karen added that the on-site registration has been successful because students can make a connection with someone. They have a face they recognize and will most likely keep up the relationship. She also mentioned that students who do not plan on attending Sinclair have asked very good questions.

Karen said that this process will begin earlier next year. Wendell asked that the coordinators contact him directly to schedule on-site registration.

Southwest Regional Center Updates – Terry Benedict

Terry began by thanking Katie Bauer for facilitating the meeting and for her work with the Southwest Regional Center.

Terry provided CTE-26s submission updates and renewals for FY18. She also provided a list of upcoming meeting dates.

Data & eLearn Updates; MVTPC Initiatives; Next Steps – Katie Bauer

Katie asked if all coordinators had received their Caspio login and password information. She noted that Caspio has had issues, but the Tech Prep office is working for revamp, regroup and improve the process. Katie gave a special thanks to Jammie Schneider and the Tech Prep interns for their tireless work on this project. A meeting scheduled for Friday with Caspio representatives will determine if Caspio or an alternative reporting method will be used.

Katie reported that the enrollment verification and matched billing process is underway. She has provided information regarding GPA submissions which provides data for both the MM3 initiative and scholarship qualification.

Tim Bryant reported that eLearn credits should be submitted using the 2016 Student Credit Verification form. All others will be transcribed using Credit Capture.

Katie stated that Sinclair has agreed to add additional funds to cover Tech Prep scholarship needs. Several charts and graphs in the PowerPoint presentation provide scholarship usage.

Surveys will be sent to teachers regarding Career Exploration Days. Professional development information is available for teachers. Katie invited the coordinators to contact her with questions, comments or concerns.

Closing Comments – Wendell Meyers

Wendell provided information on mathematics requirements for 2017. Wendell and Tim Bryant can provide additional information and clarification, if needed.

Wendell thanked everyone for attending. He gave a special thank you to Katie for facilitating a wonderful meeting!

The meeting was adjourned at 1 p.m.

Information submitted by Nina Allen