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## MEETING MINUTES COLLEGE AND CAREER INTEREST TASKFORCE

## Foundational Meeting November 8, 2018

A meeting of the College and Career Interest Taskforce was called to order shortly after 1:00 p.m. at the Illinois Board of Higher Education, 1 North Old State Capitol Plaza, Suite 333, Springfield, Illinois.

**Attendance:** Dr. Eric Lichtenberger presided over the meeting. The following task force members were present:

**College and Career Interest Task Force Members** 

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Name	Affiliation
Stephanie Kelly	Chicago State University
Bobbi Kingery	Eastern Illinois University
Jana Albrecht	Illinois State University
Emily Rusca	Northern Illinois University
Jaime Britt Conley-Holt	Southern Illinois University Carbondale
Thy Nguyen	University of Illinois at Chicago
Ron Williams	Western Illinois University
Nathan Wilson	Illinois Community College Board
Eddie Brambila	Illinois Student Assistance Commission
Mary Reynolds	Illinois State Board of Education
Diane Hendren	Illinois Association of School Administrators
Peg Agnos	Legislative Education Network of DuPage
Alison Maley	Illinois Principals Association
Sue McCance	Illinois Association of School Boards
John Burkey	Large Unit District Association
Cynthia Riseman	Illinois Federation of Teachers
Ja'Neane Minor	Advance Illinois
Wendy Katten/Cassie	Daiga Vour Hand
Creswell	Raise Your Hand
Laura Farr	Chicago Public Schools
Daryl Morrison	IEA/NEA
Eric Lichtenberger	Illinois Board of Higher Education

After introductions, Jaimee Ray, IBHE legislative, described the genesis of the legislation that created the task force, along with some of the other work of the Higher Education Working Group.

Dr. Lichtenberger presented on outmigration and the academic and demographic characteristics of the new teacher pipeline, as example of how college and career interest information can be used in research.\*

Ellen Greenan, Illinois Student Assistance Commission, presented on the FAFSA and some of the other important work done at ISAC.\*

Jana Albrecht, Illinois State University, led a discussion on how public universities utilize college and career interest information in various business processes.

The task force discussed future meeting dates and meeting formats.

No formal action or votes were taken.

## **Emerging Themes:**

- The task force should seek to extend the timeframe for developing the final report from January 30 to a later date. IBHE explored the possibility of getting it extended to later in the spring as a rider on another piece of legislation that was being considered during veto session, but was unsuccessful.
- Concerns related to student privacy and the protection of student data. Suggestion to develop recommendations centered on the following idea: when student data are shared, they are not being used in a way that creates systemic bias against key groups of students.
  - o Concerns about assessment companies (i.e., ACT and SAT) licensing the data specific to Illinois students to other states.
  - O Questions regarding the practice of the College Board having a contract to provide the statewide HS assessment on behalf of ISBE, but then licensing that information to the public universities in Illinois in addition to out-of-state schools.
- Additional student privacy legislation to consider in addition to FERPA, such as PPRA and IDEA/ADA. The second meeting of the task force will emphasize student privacy and related legislation.
- Recommended predictable and sustainable funding for higher education in Illinois in general. Another related thought was to get at why the task force was created in the first place (the root of the problem we are attempting to solve) and why the state of Illinois has traditionally had an issue with the outmigration of high school graduates.
- Ensuring that the information under consideration for either collection or exchange has a high degree of utility for the colleges and universities; is not duplicative of existing sources unless there are some efficiencies or economies of scale; and does not disrupt current practices.
- Consider ways in which the recommendations could be extended to include private universities in Illinois.
- Recommending that any informational exchange is mutually beneficial, as opposed to information just flowing from K-12 to the colleges/universities. For example, one member mentioned that it would be equally beneficial to provide information on attendance and academic performance at the Illinois public colleges back to the sending high schools. This would continue some of the Illinois Longitudinal Data System discussions centered on HS to College feedback.
- Consider information beyond what the testing companies collect and license such as career pathways endorsements and college and career readiness indicators.
- Student level information could be shared so long as it is being used for financial aid purposes. ISAC is able to provide some directory information to colleges on the Illinois State Scholars. It was suggested that this could be used as a mechanism for sharing additional information.
- Directory information on CPS graduates is also available and potentially could be used for recruitment purposes.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

<sup>\*</sup>All slides and supplementary materials were shared with the task force via email after the conclusion of the meeting.