

Operational Assembly: President Moore read the following highlights of the June 14 meeting of as provided by Kurian Tharakunnel. Academic Affairs acknowledged Bill Justiz and Vince Pesavento for being awarded the Exemplary EMS Instructor Award from the Illinois Department of Public Health. Adult Education celebrated the academic accomplishments of students at their commencement ceremony in May. Student Affairs reported that in-person New Student Orientation has begun and they have been discussing pande mic processes that are worth sustaining. Business & Facilities reported that the Fitness Center and Pool have reopened. Technology reported that Blackboard now has single sign-on functionality. Research reported that a new daily enrollment report format will be used in the fall semester.

Academic Senate: Michael Flaherty reported that there is a full Senate for next school year and he is working on filling the chair position for the Academic Standards Committee.

Student Success: Shelley Tiwari and Denise Jones presented an update on Guided Pathways progress in 2021, reviewing the definition, pillars, and components that have been put into action. The new student enrollment process was discussed, emphasizing that areas of study, career exploration, and program mapping are embedded throughout the application process so students can explore and understand the pathways early in their experience. Goals for the coming year were mentioned, including a pilot of CRM Advise in the fall and making sure program maps are institutionalized. College Council members were asked to share information with their groups, encourage others to visit the Guided Pathways website (https://mytriton.triton.edu/employee-resources/gps/Pages/default.aspx), and to gather and provide feedback.

Strategic Plan Development: Everyone was invited to visit and share information about the new Strategic Plan website (https://www.triton.edu/about/administration/communication-institutional-advancement/strategic-planning/) which includes the mission, vision, shared values, goals, action plans, KPI's, and committee members. There will be quarterly updates provided to College Council.

FY 22 College Council Meeting Schedule: The Annual Planning meeting for Council members only will be held on July 19, 2021. Regular College Council meetings in FY 22 will be held August 30, 2021; September 20, 2021; October 18, 2021; November 15, 2021; December 13, 2021; January 24, 2022; February 21, 2022; March 21, 2022; April 18, 2022; May 16, 2022; and June 20, 2022.

Shield Illinois: Shield Illinois saliva testing for COVID-19 is available through Health Services at no cost for faculty, staff, and students. Health Services is located in G-109 and can be reached at Ext. 3051.

Blackboard Latest Updates: Updates include that Blackboard Collaborate Ultra provides a gallery view, so that up to 25 students can be viewed during virtual sessions. Also, a chatbot is available within sessions to allow for connection to assistance if needed, and real time translation is available as an aid. Lastly, there is now a single sign on, so that users can use their email account to get into Blackboard, making it easier for students and instructors.

Takeaways from the Virtual Navigator Program: Christina Hunt described the Virtual Navigator Program, which pairs staff members with faculty teaching a course on Blackboard for the purpose of assisting and supporting the students. This program was created in response to the pandemic and was helpful especially to students taking an online class for the first time. Metrics show increased student success and retention rates in classes with a virtual navigator and volunteer participation is encouraged in upcoming semesters.