**Two-Year Leadership Conference Call**

July 20, 2015


**Connections for Homeless Youth Entering College (Heather Denny-OPI)**

- Seeing an increase in number of students being identified as homeless
  - How many seniors are homeless?
    - Approximately 45% of the homeless seniors identified were unaccompanied (without parent/guardian)
  - Where are these students going after graduation?
    - Approximately 70% graduation rate
    - Approximately 5% are completing first year of post-secondary education
    - Many states are forming a higher education network, in which a staff member at each institution, would be designated as a point of contact for homeless students

**Perkins Accountability Measures (Mindi Askelson)**

- Overview of landscape
  - Perkins reorganization is still a mystery
  - Three things we know will be included: retention, completion, and placement
  - Must start working on gathering good, measurable data
    - Return on investment is key
  - Must be PELL or BIA eligible to qualify for Perkins funding
    - Allocation money depends on student coding
    - Students may possibly be mislabeled
  - Technical assessment scores are necessary
    - What is the best way to collect this data?
  - Montana is struggling to get disability data
    - Missing students that could be counted as eligible
  - Grants are awarded based on plans
    - Important for Deans/CEOs/Presidents to view plans closely

**Course Sharing Discussion on August 10 (John Cech, Susan Wolff, Matt Springer)**

- Global approach
  - Discuss infrastructure, processes, professional developments needed to move us forward on future goals
  - Look at various models available
  - Determine how course sharing ties into TAACCCT grants

**Updates**

- Statewide Placement Workgroup Nominations
  - LeAnn Frost from Great Falls College agreed to chair this workgroup
    - Encourages group to look for the best solution, not necessarily the easiest
  - Nominations are due August 3, 2015
- **PLA Taskforce**
  - Taskforce met last Friday, July 24
  - Reviewed documents, final version has been created
    - Will be sent to CAOs soon
    - Abbreviated policy will be presented to the Board of Regents in September 2015
  - Commissioner has approved the structure of a PLA Council
    - Looking for a variety of individuals to serve
- **Complete College America Co-Requisite RFA Participation**
  - John thanked all for the information presented thus far
  - Sarah Pett, from Dawson Community College, is helping with the construction of the letter
- **RevUp**
  - Six colleges have signed on with unions
  - RTI reports are expected very soon
  - InsideTrack has partnered with other institutions with another grant
    - We will no longer have the coaching opportunity
  - Working with a design firm to assist with marketing
  - Apprenticeship initial targets are being decided
- **Healthcare Montana**
  - Workforce coordinators have been visiting various facilities in their regions and performing workforce needs assessments
    - Report will be released mid-August 2015
  - Third party evaluation, RTI, site visit in October 2015
  - Website is live, still working on other marketing materials
    - [www.healthcaremontana.org](http://www.healthcaremontana.org)
  - Well-written article published in Billings Gazette
  - Facebook page is generating student interest
  - Leadership team is meeting in August 2015 to work on strategic plan
  - Working on student database
  - Consent form sent to UM legal department for review
  - FERPA training earlier this week to get up to speed on privacy policies
  - Nursing curriculum design is coming along, meeting regularly

Meeting minutes taken by Katie Spalinger