PLANNING FOR CHANGE AND GROWTH IN MONTANA’S TWO-YEAR COLLEGES AND PROGRAMS

The MOA Planning Year
Montana will develop and promote a system of two-year colleges encompassing the comprehensive community college mission and that system will extend the mission to all corners of the state.
GOALS
~ IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

- Coordinate
- Promote
- Extend
MOA Priorities

- Align resources to serve more students
- Increase efficiency and cost-effectiveness of programs and operations
- Reward institutions for graduating students (productivity), not just enrolling them
Planning Year Focus #1
~Self-Assessment

Ia) Student flow analysis
Ib) Policy audit
Ic) Asset-mapping through appreciative inquiry
Id) Focus groups with key constituencies
Ie) Identification of metrics
PLANNING YEAR FOCUS #2
~ SCALING BEST PRACTICES

2a) Dual enrollment
2b) Common course-numbering of AAS, CAS programs
2c) “Major thoroughfares” for transfer
2d) Rapid Response Initiative for re-employment
PLANNING YEAR FOCUS #3
~DEVELOPING EXTENSION PROTOTYPES~

3a) Identification of high access/high quality “portable” programs
3b) Development of collaborative protocols
3c) Pilot extension High-Access Dual Enrollment
Planning Year Focus #4

~ Bringing It All Together ~

4a) Synthesis of learnings from activities in Focus Areas I-3

4b) Creating an OCHE portal to the 2-year college network