

## **ATC Steering Committee Meeting – September 17 2015**

### **E-Transcript Update**

- With the grant funding expired, the project will move forward with new partners to build the bridge between Parchment and higher education Student Information Systems (SIS).
- Committee members gave their concerns about Parchment and their issues with both their product and customer service. Parchment had pledged to make strides in this area.
- A recommendation was provided to work with Ohio public institutions to finish the project, with help from work already completed in Indiana on a software bridge.
- The Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE) will look into funding to help with the e-Transcript process.

### **Higher Education Information System (HEI) Update**

- ODHE representatives Peter McGeoch and Michael Hopcraft with an update on the timeline of the HEI rewrite. It was acknowledged that the project experienced an 18 month slip, which has since pushed the delivery date of a finalized structure to January 2017.
- Concerns were voiced about the need for communication to the institutions so they are made aware of the timing of future changes.

### **Ohio Technical Center Standardized Transcript**

- The OTC transcript was given to all Ohio Technical Centers to begin the development phase of the transcript for their needs.
- The One Year Option Policy still needs to be finalized, and until such time the OTC transcript will await official production deployment.
- Webinars will be planned in order to facilitate the implementation of the transcript. Dates will be announced.
- It was suggested that ODHE attend the OACRAO conference to boost awareness about the transcript.

### **Prior Learning Assessment Discussion**

- The need has arisen to standardize the data capture and transcription of PLA credit among higher education institutions.
- A question was brought up concerning credit transfer of PLA credit. Committee members were concerned of how the credit would be construed – and how the receiving institution would treat the credit since they did not do the evaluation of the PLA credit themselves.

- A meeting with the ATC Data Standards Committee can help determine what data would be necessary, and what processes are currently in place. As for data, a discussion will also be held with HEI to determine what data is currently collected.

### **CollegeSource & Transfer Evaluation System**

- Committee members were asked about their use of the TES product, and how it is used at their institutions.
- TES is used and would be beneficial as a state licensed product – like Transferology according to members. Members also mentioned that splitting the cost for statewide TES would be possible if discussed. Recently, the cost of using TES was increased, which concerned committee members.
- Committee members asked if a matrix could be developed that shows the institutions that use CollegeSource’s products.
- It was asked if institutions could use TES to load equivalencies in Transferology. Members noted that not all institutions load their equivalencies in TES, which would be necessary to complete the load.

### **Credit When It’s Due**

- Michelle Blaney of OATN provided an update on CWID initiative. The major update covered marketing efforts, the CWID budget, and the fall timeline.
- Committee members were able to see the brochure that was produced by ODHE. The brochure will be mailed directly to institutions at no cost as soon as it has been finalized.
- A possible Facebook campaign was mentioned to the committee members, with a push for targeted ads for students to inform them of CWID.
- The fall timeline was reviewed concerning the next list from the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) for community colleges to review and work with universities.
- A possible tagline was discussed for CWID to help with marketing. In addition it was mentioned that a Save the Date should be sent out for CWID to remind institutions of major deadlines.