July 23 E-Update

Happy Summer!

Staff Updates: We are excited to welcome the following new staff to Weber State and Student Affairs: Chris Chapman, Clinical Psychologist in CPSC; Stephanie McClure, Women’s Center Director; Rebecca Mabile, Aquatics & Safety Coordinator and Kelly Boyce, Marketing and Operations Coordinator, both in Campus Recreation; and Olga Antonio, Mentor Coordinator in the Center for Multicultural Excellence (CME). Enrique Romo will begin on July 29 as the new Executive Director for Access and Diversity. Marissa Hall has joined the VPSA office as the new student office assistant.

Other staff changes/transitions include the following: Derek DeBruin has transferred from Campus Recreation to Health Promotion and Human Performance; Amy Huntington is now the Transition & First Year Initiatives Specialist working with Betty Sawyer, Transition Programs and Partnerships Coordinator; and Monica Rodriguez-Mesa, was formally hired as a Retention Specialist in CME.

We are sad that Keith Murray will be leaving at the end of this month and Sharadee Allred at the end of August. Keith is leaving for a new position as a Sodexo General Manager overseeing dining services for several care facilities in the area, and Sharadee has decided she will be a stay-at-home mom. We wish all the best to Keith and Sharadee.

Congratulations to the following people who successfully completed the pilot Coach/Navigator Certification program so far this summer: Amanda Geilman, Amy Huntington, Donnie Ruth, Teri Wood-Slaughter, Andrea Curtis, Betty Simons, & Teresa Taylor.
According to the most recent 125th WSU Comprehensive Campaign progress report, the university as a whole has raised over $121 million towards our $125 million goal, and Student Affairs has raised over $8.4 million – 77% of our goal!

Congratulations to Student Support Services (SSS) for being funded again for the next five years. WSU's SSS program received the largest grant funding of all the programs in the state. I appreciate Eddie Hoyle and his staff for their quality work.

Summer Division Meeting! You will receive a meeting request soon about a great program on Wednesday, August 5 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. on the topic “Microaggression & Cultural Competence: A Faculty & Staff Discussion,” with Dr. Cherrie Strachan from Central Michigan University.

Weber State has been named as a “2015 Great College to Work For” by the Chronicle of Higher Education. Weber was one of 86 institutions to receive this award and won honors in the following areas: Job Satisfaction; Work/Life Balance; and Facilities, Work Spaces, and Security. More information can be found in the press release here.

Safe@Weber is Weber State University's new comprehensive violence prevention program. All Weber State University students are expected to complete an on-line sexual assault prevention training program called Haven, which addresses critical issues of relationship violence and stalking. It is one of the best programs of its kind in the country, and has been adopted by over 400 universities nationwide. For more information, contact Stephanie McClure, 626-6090 or stephaniemcclure@weber.edu.

What does Safe@Weber means for staff? We will be increasing the campus dialogue on issues of sexual violence, relationship violence, and healthy relationships, which will hopefully prevent student incidents as well as increase the number of students who disclose sexual misconduct to trusted staff and faculty on campus. I’d also encourage you to review the new Safety, Response and Reporting policy. In addition, an employee component of Haven will be available to WSU staff soon.

Diversity Fact: What does "diversity and inclusion" mean to you? What things are you doing in your area to highlight these? What you do matters! With the Underrepresented Student Retention Initiative underway, it is important to think about the services and programs you offer and how current and prospective students view them. Are your marketing materials inclusive? Are you and your employees
and physical space welcoming for all? If you would like some tips and advice, please contact Teresa Holt at 626-6957 or teresaholt@weber.edu.

Tech Trivia: Be aware of phishing emails. WSU/SAT will never contact you and ask for your password. If you receive unsolicited communications asking for this type of information, either as a response to an email or a link to a website with a form to fill out, be aware and don't provide the information. If you are unsure of anything, ask any Student Affairs Technology staff for help. Learn more about detecting and recognizing a phishing email: http://weber.edu/iso/Phishing.html

As always, contact Janneca or me if you have any Division E-Update ideas. Have a fabulous July 24 holiday weekend!

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