Key Messages: February 2022 CVC-OEI Advisory Committee Meeting

Introduction and Welcome: Acting Executive Director Dr. Marina Aminy

- Dr. Marina Aminy joined the CVC as its Acting Executive Director in early February. She was previously the Dean of Online Education and Learning Resources at Saddleback College, and served as the college’s project lead.

Chancellor’s Office Update

- The state budget was released in January and the CVC-OEI received its regular $23 million dollar line item. Erin Larson noted that $3 million of the appropriation goes to inmate education. There are other distance education line items that could be used for systemwide support as well.
- The Digital Innovation & Infrastructure Division has hired an enterprise architect to look at the system’s technology portfolio. The goal is to help the initiatives operate more cohesively.

CVC Priorities Check-In

- **CVC Exchange Financial Aid Enhancements and Automation**: The Financial Aid Workgroup, a subcommittee of the CVC Advisory Committee, previewed proposed automation workflows in January. Colleges have been invited to pilot the automated solution and will provide feedback before it is deployed into production this fiscal year.
- **Online Dual Enrollment Pilot**: The prep work for the online dual enrollment hub was completed in January and the CVC is now working with the Fresno K-16 Collaborative on establishing connectivity at the various high schools in the Collaborative. The project is on track to launch in April and at that time, students in the district will be able cross-enroll into courses at State Center Community College District. If successful, this type of project could create new opportunities for other regional online dual enrollment collaboratives.
- **Continued Scaling of the CVC Exchange**: There are currently 65 Home Colleges, 48 Phase 1: Live Course Data colleges, and 15 Phase Two: Teaching Colleges. Mt. San Antonio College went live as a Teaching in late December. Several Home College Readiness workshops will take place this spring, including a hands-on workshop to help colleges who have completed some, but not all, of the Home College readiness steps. The implementation team continues to work on financial aid automation, a Zero Textbook Cost (ZTC) indicator and search filter, and a unified search functionality. Students continue to search overwhelmingly for STEM courses.

Systemwide Distance Education Quality Efforts

- **Scaling Quality Subcommittee**: The Scaling Quality Subcommittee continues to look at the Online Learning Consortium’s (OLC) Quality Scorecards (Online Programs Quality Scorecard and Online Student Support Scorecard). CIOs have been actively involved in the process and plans are in the works to solicit feedback from CSSOs. The Subcommittee is currently exploring incentives to encourage colleges to look at their online infrastructure.
- **Streamlining Local POCR**: The CVC will shift its resources away from the direct review of courses to focus more on promoting robust college infrastructures that support quality online course design and teaching. Current POCR-certified campuses will be able to self-badge their courses. Those colleges that are not certified can either go through the centralized Local POCR certification process or pursue validation of a local program that uses @ONE teaching competencies, including the **CVC-OEI Course Design Rubric**.
- **Independent Course Alignment**: The goal of Independent Course Alignment is to increase statewide access to courses that are aligned with the CVC-OEI Course Design Rubric. Last month, the 793 instructors who have a CVC-aligned course were invited to participate in the Independent Course Alignment process. Thus far, 17 instructors have agreed to share 22 courses.
- **Systemwide Technology Access Collaborative (STAC)**: In response to requests for earlier access and a longer purchase period, the purchasing window will be open March 7 - July 8, 2022. Canvas Studio will be added to the STAC order form while Proctorio will be removed due to concerns surrounding student privacy and equity.

Online Degrees and Certificates Webpages

- The CVC is working with Graduate Communications on a website refresh, which will include distinct user pathways for students looking for a course, program, or career. The project will also redesign and expand CVC’s online program pathways pages to make it easier for users to find online programs and apply/enroll at the offering colleges. The new pages will also offer basic career exploration resources and job data linked to associated programs.

Co-Chair Nominations and Election Planning

- Carlos Lopez’s two-year term co-chair term ends this June. Nominations will be solicited via Basecamp and a new co-chair will be elected at the April meeting.