

NATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD Briefing

June 2022

Special Acknowledgements

CCCSE is fortunate to work closely with a group of stellar educators and scholars. This summer in particular, we are singling out a few board members for their contributions and accomplishments. Two new members have joined the group: **Dr. Phillip Neal**, a leading voice in student engagement among community college presidents, and **Dr. Jillian Kinzie**, a longtime NSSE researcher who has seamlessly stepped into the top role at our sister organization. Our profound felicitations go to **Jan Yoshiwara**, an incomparable administrative leader in the field who is looking forward to retirement in August. Finally, a hearty congratulations to **Dr. Michael Baston** on his new post that begins July 1, after leading Rockland Community College for five years. Tri-C is lucky to have you! See all <u>board members</u>.

Welcome New Members



Dr. Phillip W. Neal President and CEO Southcentral Kentucky Community & Technical College



Dr. Jillian Kinzie Interim Co-Director, National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) Indiana University Bloomington

Best Wishes



Jan Yoshiwara Executive Director Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges

Congratulations



Dr. Michael A. Baston President Cuyahoga Community College

Reminder: CCCSE NATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD Annual Meeting

> October 4, 2022 1:00–2:30 p.m. CT via Zoom

Check your calendar to ensure you received the invitation.

Agenda and more details will be added to the invitation in late September.

Please email <u>benchouia@cccse.org</u> for assistance.

Pilot Survey for Dually Enrolled Students

CCCSE invited an advisory panel of experts (see list below), as well as AACC, ATD, JFF, and the League for Innovations to provide input on the development of a survey instrument refined for dually enrolled students. The instrument development is progressing nicely and nearly ready for a fall pilot administration. This <u>project</u> is made possible by a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.



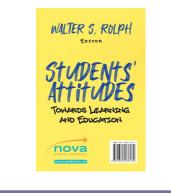
Advisory Panel

- » Dr. Marcia J. Ballinger, President, Lorain County Community College
- » Dr. Shari Camhi, Superintendent, Baldwin Union Free School District
- » Dr. Naomi Castro, Senior Director, Career Ladders Project
- » John Fink, Senior Research Associate, Community College Research Center, Teachers College, Columbia University
- » Angela Guadian-Mendez, Director of Student Completion, Alamo Colleges District
- » Dr. Larisa Harper, Provost, Zane State College
- » Dr. Melinda Karp, Founder & Principal, Phase Two Advisory
- » Dr. Amanda Sterk, Director of Dual Enrollment, Florida Southwestern State College
- » Dr. Jason Taylor, Associate Professor, Department of Educational Leadership and Policy, University of Utah
- » Amy Williams, Executive Director, National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships

New Book Chapter

This spring, Nova Science Publishers released a book that includes a chapter co-authored by CCCSE's Dr. Mike Bohlig, Associate Director of Research, and Dr. Hongwei Yu, Research Associate.

Bohlig, E.M., & Yu, H. (2022). Academic mindset: A recipe for student learning and engagement at community colleges. In W.S. Rolph (Ed.), *Students' attitudes towards learning and education* (pp. 111-138). Nova Science Publishers.



Funding Secured for Research on Student Mental Health

The COVID-19 pandemic, repeated instances of racial injustice, and discrimination against those with marginalized identities have catapulted America into a period of turmoil. Community college students are not immune to this national turbulence. According to a spring 2020 CCCSE survey, 58% of respondents said that access to mental health services was of concern to them.

As a natural next step to its ongoing <u>Students in Need</u> in <u>Community Colleges</u> Project, CCCSE is seeking to investigate aspects of mental health and well-being among community college students. Similar to Students in Need, for the **Mental Well-Being and Academic Success Project**, CCCSE plans to conduct one-on-one interviews with students, recruit an advisory panel to help develop special items, administer those items along with the 2023 spring and fall surveys, and publish a report on the findings. This work is generously funded by The Kresge Foundation, which is also jointly funding the Students in Need project with ECMC Foundation. Stay tuned for more updates.



New 20th Anniversary Content

Since last September, CCCSE has released videos and resources almost every month to celebrate 20 years of research. Below is a summary of the recent updates made to three sections of the website.

Reflecting & Reminiscing – Focus Group Work



The Power of Student Voices

Thought leaders comment on the importance of CCCSE's early and ongoing qualitative research.



Memorable Conversations

Impactful clips that aren't included in other anniversary reels are in this compilation.

Since the last briefing, CCCSE also released discussions about Creating a Culture of Evidence. See all <u>Reflecting & Reminiscing</u> videos.

Listening & Learning – Expectations Don't Always Meet Reality



CCCSE dusts off the story of James, an eager community college student who withdraws by the end of his first term. This video series was developed many years ago, but CCCSE's soon to be released <u>Listen to Me</u> project findings revisit the topics of early engagement and retention.

Since the last briefing, CCCSE also released High Expectations Matter and Support Services Matter reels and resource guides. See all <u>Listening & Learning</u> content.

Diverse-CCCSE Podcast Series on Community College Leadership

Since the last briefing, CCCSE launched a <u>new page</u> dedicated to *Diverse Issues in Higher Education*'s "In The Margins" four-part series themed around the 20th anniversary focus group reels. Each episode features an interview with one of the following community college leaders:

- » Dr. Eboni Zamani-Gallaher, Director of the Office for Community College Research and Leadership
- » Dr. Phillip W. Neal, President and CEO, Southcentral Kentucky Community & Technical College
- » Dr. Robert Garza, President, Palo Alto College
- » Dr. Pam Eddinger, President, Bunker Hill Community College

Presentations & Meetings

Below is a list of all virtual attendances and presentations by CCCSE staff during the past few months.

<u>April 2022</u>

- » Texas Pathways Round Two Institute #5
- » Florida Pathways Institute IV: Enhancing Learning for Student Success Student Voices: Hosting Focus Groups to Learn the "Why" About Your College's Data
- » Texas Southmost College Leadership Institute
- » American Association of Community Colleges Annual Convention
 - » The Continued Impact of COVID-19 on Community College Students *as part of the Commission on Student Success meeting*
 - » Supporting Students Through the Intersection of Work and Learning

<u>May 2022</u>

- » Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Postsecondary Success Ecosystem Convening
- » Rogue Community College SENSE Data Overview