Members Present:
Albidrez, Brown, Burnette, Conway, Grant, Jackson, Kirby, Leach, Leeder, McLean, Outing, Patterson, Ray, Robinson, Watts, Wical, Zelna

Survey Feedback Results
Burnette discussed the feedback from the 2007-08 ACCESS Annual Survey. She related that the feedback would be used to improve the flow of the meetings and the structure of the agenda. Burnette enthusiastically presented the visual representation of the results, created by Dr. Carrie Zelna. The diagram shows how ACCESS contributes to the dialogue on student success. Through the use of communication, education, networking, and action the conversation is expanding as intended. All of the members who completed the survey understood why they were attending the meeting. The diagram also revealed how the dialogue on student success and the Council are sustainable and not dependent on any one person.

Burnette also related the feedback on the Student Success Inventory. She will be working with the Strategic Planning Team to provide more detail and better information on how to use it as there is a general lack of understanding of how to use the tool and how the terms are defined. Members who know how to use it reported high satisfaction with the tool.

Noel-Levitz Conference Team
Burnette informed the Council that she wanted to pay for five members to attend the Noel-Levitz Conference on July 15-17 in Chicago, IL. She asked that a member from each workgroup to go and one member from ACCESS at large. Ray will let Burnette know if she would be able to take the wildcard slot. For more information on the conference, visit the Noel-Levitz web site (https://www.noellevitz.com/Events/)

Updates?
Burnette asked each workgroup to report their progress.
- **Assessment Workgroup**
  - Zelna reported that the group was meeting to examine and code open-ended senior survey data.
- **Policy and Practice Review Workgroup**
  - McLean reported that the workgroup is in the process of finalizing a set of recommendations. They are also formatting a flow chart to accompany their recommendations. The group is expecting to submit their final draft by mid June via e-mail. Burnette may ask this group to present their recommendations at the August meeting.
- **Student Engagement Workgroup**
  - Grant announced that her workgroup divided into two subgroups:
    - **Engagement Outcomes**: One subgroup led by Grant met to identify strategies for success under the broad categories of academic career, personal, and social. This group came up with outcomes and activities to achieve those outcomes. Discussion ensued regarding how to market those outcomes and...
perhaps merging them with the outcomes from the University Student Transitions Task Force. A group made up of Burnette, Grant, Leach, Leeder, Ray, Watts, and Zelna will meet to mesh the student outcomes from the two groups.

- Grant gave a reminder that the first year survival guide is a list of topics. Underneath each topic, there are web sites that answer questions posed.
- **Success Bucket List:** The other group, led by Wical, is looking at coordinating a university resource—a bucket list in terms of making a list of things students must do before they graduate.
- **Graduating Advice Survey:** Grant presented on the idea that she and Zelna came up with to solicit feedback from seniors at graduation.

### Announcements

- **Undergraduate Student Transition Task Force Report:** Burnette directed the members to the attached executive summary of the Undergraduate Student Transition Task Force Report in the agenda packet. She wanted to make ACCESS aware that there are other groups that be discussing various aspects of student success beyond the ACCESS Workgroups. She also alerted the group that members of ACCESS might be asked to serve on those groups. Conway interjected that ACCESS will not lose its role in the process as these other task groups form. He said that the degree to which there is active conversation about student success on campus is what really makes the difference. The more vehicles we engage for active conversation, the more successful were going to be. The first-year task force will take on the task of finding out how the first year at NC state works and the goals that they are focusing on is raising the first year retention range from 85-90 to around 95-96 range. He emphasized that members of ACCESS have the responsibility to keep their fingers on the pulse of what’s happening and inform their deans and vice chancellors. The unique role and central focus of the conversation in ACCESS becomes to continually seek out and ask who else needs to be involved in this conversation to move this effort forward.

- **Upcoming conference presentations:** Ray and Felicia Baity will present at a national conference in May. Their topic is the “50th Anniversary of African American Students at NC State” and looking back on last year and any lessons learned. They will cover how institutional anniversaries could be used strategically to garner funds or other support.

- **Thank you!** Burnette praised and thanked the members of ACCESS for a job well done during this academic year.

### Adjourn

The Council adjourned for the academic year.

### Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 27, 2008

The meeting will be in the **Faculty Senate Chambers of D. H. Hill Library**