Members Present:
Albidrez, Ambrose, Brasier, Brown, Burnette, Callanan, Easterling, Foster, Grant, Ledger (Phil Moses), Leeder, Luckadoo, Outing, Powell, Raubenheimer, Reid, Robinson, Simpson, Standish, Watts, Washington, Wical, Yancey, Zelna

Update: Alternating ACCESS General Body Meetings with Professional Develop Workshops
Burnette sent an e-mail soliciting feedback from ACCESS. Few members were interested in alternating ACCESS meetings with workshops, but they did show interest in the current structure of having presentations on initiatives, programs, and trends to share with their colleagues.

Update: USC 101 D (Ambrose)
Ambrose passed out a handout that showed the history and retention of students in USC 101 D and USC 102. Students who had one or two sections of USC 101 D out performed (based on GPA and hours passed) those students who did not take a USC 101 D course. There was no difference in the success of students who took two sections instead of one; therefore, only USC 101 D is currently being taught. Discussion ensued regarding how this course is taught in various colleges; whether it should be expanded to other minorities; and whether this course should be an institutional recommendation for all students. Robinson inquired whether this was only a quantitative assessment. Simpson commented that the alumni would be a great resource for a qualitative assessment and related her personal success with both sections of the course. African American Coordinators are a great resource to tap into regarding this course.

Ambrose informed the group that the Council on Undergraduate Education endorsed the course to count as a general education requirement. He also related that there is reason to believe this course could be a success indicator. Ambrose related that there is yet some data that needs to be reviewed before such a recommendation can be made. He will work with the African American Coordinators, which includes Washington, to bring a formal recommendation regarding USC 101 D.

Burnette let the Council know that the associate deans have asked for a list of recommendations on practices that will improve student success. The Council wanted to present their findings to the associate deans on a case-by-case basis as practices are assessed and piloted. If some recommendations can be in list form, then they will present them this way.

First Year Portal Online (http://www.ncsu.edu/success/first_year.html)
Burnette asked that the Council look at the online First Year Portal and comment on any necessary revisions. Zelna related that there was a set of portals done by Leslie Dare for students. Burnette will contact Leslie Dare regarding possible duplication of efforts and give the group an update on this.

Student Success Suggestion Box (http://blogs.lib.ncsu.edu/page/studentsuccess/Weblog)
Burnette reported that the Student Success Suggestion Box was now on the Division of Student Affairs Home Page. It will shortly be on the front page of the Office of the Provost site as well. Burnette will serve as the blog moderator and will update the Council on the blog activity. Burnette asked the group
to advertise the blog so that we can get good information and strategies from the campus at large.

- **Workgroup Updates:**
  Burnette and Standish had discussed forming a workgroup on figuring the cost to lose one undergraduate student at NC State. Burnette had found a retention calculator on the Educational Policy Institute website that she thought would do the job. Standish related the complexity in figuring out the dollar amounts for some of the fields on the calculator. Callanan, Luckadoo, and Zelna were the members to volunteer to be part of this new assessment workgroup.

  - **Assessment (Zelna, Standish)**
    Burnette related that she and Braiser had not had a chance to meet regarding the Student Success Inventory.

    Standish gave an update on the Withdrawal Forecasting Workgroup

    Zelna gave an update on the Assessment Coding Workgroup. The group is now spending time reviewing the Stop Out data to consider additional analysis and the best way to distribute and use the data. All are welcome to provide input.

  - **Policy and Practice Review (McLean)**
    Burnette related that McLean has the report in final draft form. The Council should see something before the next meeting. The members of this Workgroup received the draft report upon adjournment of the meeting.

  - **Student Engagement (Grant, Robinson, Wical)**
    Grant related that she and Watts had completed the First Year Portal. They have a student worker that is reviewing it to see if the links correlate with the header. Watts will review after the student worker is complete. Zelna related that Leslie Dare was working on something similar for the new SIS portal. Group will set a meeting up with Dare in late October to ascertain whether there is duplication of effort.

    Robinson related the Outcomes group had not met.

    Zelna and Moses related that they are calling all freshmen. This is an effort to make all first year students feel welcome on campus. Volunteers are needed. Watts asked if upperclassmen could help out on this effort. Burnette asked if calling would be the only avenue. Facebook is a great way of reaching these students, but a “live person’s” voice is preferred.

- **Announcements**
  - **Partners in Access and Success Conference**
    Burnette related that the schedule might change due to UNC-GA wanting to partner. Therefore, volunteers may not be needed for stakeholder conversations. The presenters will attend for free if they register due to a grant approved by Interim Dean Ambrose, Division of Undergraduate Academic Programs. Burnette encouraged members to attend.

- **Adjourn**

- **Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 29, 2008 in the Faculty Senate Chambers**