



November 19, 2014

Minutes

Attending: Will Clark, Steve Thulin, Miranda Miller, David Gray, Tim Wright, Joe McCann, Patrice Noel, Sara Axelson, Mohamed Chakhad, Kelly Strampe, John Freeman and Jackie Freeze

1. **Minutes from October 29** were approved
2. Update on the **Meeting with the Governor**. Those who attended the visit with the Governor gave a brief update to the team. Attending the visit: Jackie, John, Patrice, Sherri, Steve B., and Jim. Governor Mead was very attentive and interested in the progress of the team and asked good questions about the progress we have made. He was very interested in continuing to build a strong connection with our K-12 partners. He suggested a follow-up meeting in February to include the new Superintendent. He asked what he could do to help and we suggested we could use his assistance in adding an industry representative to the team and in helping us to talk about the progress we have made in discussing student success in our state. We gave him the progress report and provided a brief update on activities during our first two years and future plans.
3. **Context metrics** discussion. The group had a discussion about the metrics and the value of a statewide dashboard. While it is true that each institution and the Commission provides much the same data on a regular basis, there is no one place for decision-makers and others to see a snapshot of higher education in Wyoming. The goal is not to provide unique data but rather to provide a summary of key information and success numbers to showcase the level of services to our state as well as our accomplishments in educating our citizens.

The team reviewed the metrics and determined that the context metrics could be streamlined. The decision was made to eliminate the operational metrics and reduce the financial aid metrics to an overview. Additional changes might come about as we work to develop the first dashboard.

Jackie is meeting with the Community College IR people and UW IR the first week in December to develop the approach for the first data gathering effort.