

MILLERSVILLE MENTORING ALLIANCE PROGRAM

**Advisory Council Meeting
Thursday, February 14, 2008
3:30 – 4:00
Student Forum, 4:00-5:00
Student Memorial Center, Room 43**

Present: Michelle White (Co-Chair), Kathy Naegele-Delgado, Martha MacAdam, Eugene Shawaryn, Luis Garcia, Kristin Weidman, Stacy Caldwell

1. Welcome from Co-Chair

Dr. Michelle White welcomed the committee members and asked those present if there were any questions or comments regarding the notes from the 12/13/07 meeting.

Gene Shawaryn asked about the Willow Valley Retirement Community visit. Kristin clarified that those who attended the presentation (about 15 residents) were very interested in the program, but felt too busy to participate. Kristin and Stacy will work with Eleanor Isaacson to set up another meeting with residents where they can complete applications indicating their areas of expertise and when they might be available.

The notes from the 12/13/07 meeting were approved with no changes.

2. Mentor survey

Kristin and Stacy shared a draft survey for mentors to complete annually concerning the progress of their mentoring relationship. The draft survey spurred a valuable discussion about how to narrow the purpose of the survey and structure the questions to get at the heart of what the University wants to know.

The first step, Gene suggested was to find out exactly what the University administration is interested in knowing about the MMAP and what they would use to measure its success. The next step would be to then build the survey questions to focus on collecting specifically that information.

Also, Martha recommended that the questions make a point to refer back to the overall purpose of mentoring, or what is expected of mentors, to help promote more consistency across the answers.

3. Appreciation Reception

April 10, 2008; 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.; Old Main Room, Gordinier

Awards: Kristin and Stacy will nominate three mentors for the Outstanding Mentor of the Year award. This award will be presented each year to a mentor who has demonstrated persistent mentorship qualities over a period of at least 3 years, and who has gone above and beyond expectations as a mentor to students and as a participant in the MMAP program.

The Star Mentor and Star Mentee of the Year awards will be chosen from nominations by the candidate's mentoring partner. A brief survey will be made available online to make it easier for students and mentors to nominate their partner.

The nominations will be sent as a packet to Advisory Council members by March 21 for review before the next meeting (**Wednesday, April 2**) at which we will discuss and vote on the nominations.

4. Next meetings

- **Wednesday, April 2 (new date!)**
3:30 – 5:00 pm
Student Memorial Center, Room 43

- Thursday, April 10 – **Appreciation Luncheon**
11:30 – 1:30
Old Main Room, Gordinier Hall