The October 24nd DAWG meeting was held in the Annex Training Room with the following discussions and individuals in attendance (\*=v*ia CCCConferZoom*)

*Attendance [[1]](#footnote-1)*

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| Crafton | Kristina Heilgeist, Kirsten Colvey, Joe Cabrales, Larry Aycock, \*Kristi Simonson |
| Valley | \*Veada Benjamin, Steven Silva |
| Annex | Andy Chang, \*Corrina Baber, DyAnn Walter, Joe Ho, \*Michael Aquino, \*Jason Brady, Brock Scudder, Joyce Bond |

## I. “EW” grades discussion

Sponsor: Larry Aycock

* A new regulation. It requires colleges to implement an EW grades, which is Excused Withdraw, it was supposed to be implemented by this fall.
* There has been a lot of discussions, and alsowaiting for some clarification from the chancellor’s office. (hence the delay)
* Questions like, “If a student gets EW grade, does he/she get a refund?” (answer is No)
* EW grade was originally for incarcerated students. Some colleges will provide classes through mail to incarcerated students. When this person is released, they may not be able to continue the class. So, what happens to them?
* The bill was meant for these students to withdraw and not count toward to their GPA, not count as course attempts. Original bill also wants it to not count against financial aid, but because this is a state bill, not federal, so federal law for financial aid still applies.
* This was expanded for other things, i.e. medical reasons, complication with pregnancies etc. They can apply for withdraw, if granted, it won’t count against them. Won’t count against GPA at all. EW grade on the transcript.
* Implement this process (1) Student will submit a petition (2) Committee review (3) If approved, manually enter the EW grade.
* SBVC will implement in the same way.
* To implement this, we will have to look at:
  + Add EW as grade option
  + Don’t count this as an attempt in the repeat rules
  + Academic standing should not count
  + Financial aid - need to investigate this, wait for further direction
  + Update transcript legend
* Asked the State “If we grant an EW, does it mean they get a refund”, State said it’s up to the discretion of the institute. It’s not mandated. Larry suggests not to automatically program the refund, but to treat this on a case by case basis.
* This will be a project, Larry will work with April.

## II. AB 2248 requirements

Sponsor: Larry Aycock

* New changes to CalWORKS requirements.
* This bill would require the commission, upon the initial awarding and the renewal of a Cal Grant award, as specified, to notify a Cal Grant award recipient in writing that, in order to graduate in 4 years, he or she must take 15 semester units or the equivalent quarter units, or 30 semester units per academic year or the equivalent quarter units, and that a Cal Grant award is limited to 4 academic years. The bill also would require a qualifying institution, as defined, to notify in writing a new student during orientation, a student receiving state financial aid, upon annual registration, and a student registering online for fewer than 15 units of the above specified provisions.
* (d) During the orientation of a new student, a qualifying institution shall notify the student in writing of the information described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (c).
* (e) Upon annual registration by a student receiving state financial aid, the financial aid office of a qualifying institution shall notify that student in writing of the information described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (c).
* (f) During online registration by a student for fewer than 15 semester units or the equivalent quarter units, the information contained in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (c) must be provided to the student ***with a box for the student to check acknowledging receipt of the provided information.***
* There is a lot of pushback on this check box requirement.
* Every student will have to check this box during the online registration process. We should have every student do this, so everyone is covered.
* We may be able to re-purpose the WebAdvisor contact information confirmation page for this.
* Larry to submit a “research ticket” first to get this started
* Suppose to be implemented by January 1, 2019. The legal office at the Chancellor’s office said that this is not something that they are going to be auditing on, they understand that some schools needs time to implement this.
* If we get it done by Summer / Fall registration in April, Larry think that should be good.

## III. Ongoing Topics

### **SARS Anywhere implementation** Sponsor: Kirsten Colvey, Marco Cota

* + Demo Nov 28, 2018. from 1pm to 2pm.
  + Sandbox will be open
  + Arlene will move over to it starting Dec 14. 2018.
  + Waiting on Marco for some dates on SBVC side.
  + Discussed about user access to SARS Anywhere. On campus only? Maybe ask Wayne to setup a separate password protected wireless network and lock access via Mac address only.
  + Maybe no VPN access.

### **AB 705 Discussion** Sponsor: Kirsten Colvey

* + At CHC, will meet with the English faculty to determine how they want to move forward.
  + Cannot use the English tests, Math tests or Reading tests in Accuplacer, for placement. They are no longer approved by the State.
  + Accuplacer can be used as a tool, we can pay and use Accuplacer for something like a paramedic test. It’s being used for multiple measures.
  + As a platform, it is still available. It can be used to create internal tests.
  + Accuplacer ESL portion is still used

## IV. Miscellaneous

### **Preferred / Chosen Name**

* Rebeccah would like to discuss a way for Canvas and Starfish to include Preferred / Chosen Name.
* Joe C. mentioned that as far as Starfish, it is out of our hands because it must go through state-wide committee, for this feature to be added, like submitting an enhancement request.
* Andy said, it is doable in Canvas, but due to lack of privacy in the roster, it would essentially out the student.
* Rebeccah may still want to import directly from CCCApply instead of A&R manually entering the name.

### **Starfish Cohort**

* + Starfish cohort discussion relating to DSPS.

1. Disclaimer: Some individuals joining the meeting via phone may not be in the Attendance List. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)