Pathways Meeting 3-106, CVAG55-103, I-123B November 2, 2016

Attending: Stacey Hilton, Patti Schlosberg, Joanne Oellers, Tania Sheldahl, Jodi Showler, Jill Fitzgerald, Andrea Riffel, Laura Bloomenstein, Alice Burroughs, Mike Davis, Scott Farnsworth, Dean Holbrook, Barb Waak, Patrick Burns, Justin Brereton

Pathway subcommittees reported on progress of their tasks. Each subcommittee will send their meeting notes/ideas to Tania and Scott so they can prepare an update for PLT.

Molly explained her group looked at flow charts with G/E input and met with Suki Waldenberger. Suki came up with pathways to each AGEC. However, Gen Eds differ on degrees. Identifying 15 to 30 common credits and aligning university pathways/partnerships have too many directions. Their committee feels we need to identity the over-arching plan. The flow charts or bubble charts become too complicated for students to understand. They have shown the Pathways committee where there are many challenges to developing Pathways – different pathways for just getting a job in field; obtaining certificate; obtaining degree with plan to transfer.

The group agreed trying to set up Pathways has led us to look at the broader picture that affects Gen Eds, Curriculum, Program Review. There are very few commonalities across programs. YC may have too many certificates, too many degrees to make easy-to-follow Pathways. YC may need to look at simplification. An over-arching plan needs to be developed. We may need to look at program restructuring.

Committee looking at web landing pages, template and point persons for each program recognized there are three things coming together that need to be coordinated: Acolog, new website and Pathways.

Committee on HS to YC Pathways also has concerns including how HLC may affect this. Some high school CTE do not lead to transfer opportunities and high school students and parents are not aware of this.

Justin is working with Tamie Saffell on the options of faculty advising. Need to define what is faculty advising versus professional academic advising. Tania will send Justin the names of faculty that are interested in advising. Tania will discuss with Selina how to move faculty advising forward with Senate.

Group discussed that a definition of a Gateway course needs to be determined.

Meeting ended with Scott and Tania showing the new Pathways website: yc.edu/pathways. Site has committee tasks, meeting summaries. Will be adding goals, measurements and areas of study. Recommended the deans review the areas of study at yc.edu/aos. A news flash should be distributed leading faculty/staff to Pathways site.