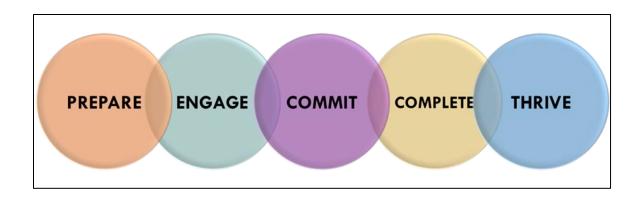
REPORT TO CABINET REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS March 2015

- Created in winter 2012
- Responding to emerging national/state agendas to raise the levels of degree and certificate completion
- To move the dial on student achievement it would take a concerted effort by the entire College

- A representative body of about 30 faculty, staff, and student stakeholders
- Serves as advisory to College administration
 - ✓Advice and guidance to improve student success and completion
 - ✓ Serves as a catalyst within the institution

Initial charge: Focus on recommendations to improve outcomes in the Prepare phase of the Panther Path



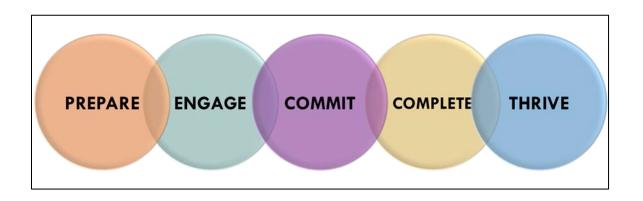
COMPLETION INVESTMENT COUNCIL CHARGE CONTINUED

- Entering students will be academically, personally, and financially prepared and able to navigate the PCC system on day one of classes
 - ✓ Review systems of support, policies, practices, technology and institutional infrastructure prior to and up to enrolling at PCC
 - ✓Improving the student experience and outcomes in pre-college level coursework

- Students are at the center we remain mindful of their diversity and seek to understand their goals through honest assessment
- Intentional collaboration and effective communication
- Reliance on evidence in decision and action

- Strategic actions should create the most effective systemic and institutional impact on student success and completion
- Alignment with institutional core outcomes and institutional goals
- Informed by best experience and practices of others

 Guided by a specific student success and completion framework – the *Panther Path*



- Be bold and willing to challenge current systems& thinking
- Take a long view and allow time for success to develop; acknowledge when "noble experiments" are not successful and move on

THE WORK - Prepare Phase

- Data-driven body and engaged key stakeholder groups
 - Academic Advising Council
 - Cohort Default Group
 - Developmental Education Task Force
 - Developmental Education Redesign Workgroup
 - District Services Leaders
 - FLAIR title III Grant
 - Math SAC
 - Prepare Advisory Group
 - ROOTS Program

RECOMMENDATIONS - FOUR MAJOR AREAS

 As the institution refines the college strategic plan – moves to align budget planning with the new strategic vision and goals.....

Here are some suggestions......

- ONE: Create Clear Pathways and Transitions
 - ✓Integrate Panther Path into planning, assessment and student communications
 - Change order of new student orientation and testing
 - ✓Initiating college-wide Academic Advising Practices Review and Strategic Improvement process
 - ✓ Establish the High School Recruitment Plan

- TWO: Improve Developmental Education Outcomes
 - PCC Developmental Education Task Force
 - ✓ Integrating of reading and writing courses
 - ✓ Realigned placement cut score ranges with redesigned curriculum
 - ✓ Strengthening advising for Developmental Ed students
 - ✓ Collaborating with Composition/Literature, Developmental Education, and Adult Basic Skills SACs on an assessment and curriculum alignment project

- TWO: Improve Developmental Education Outcomes
 - The PCC Math SAC reforming course content, math pathways, and math success
 - ✓ Math 58/98 Track to Math 105
 - ✓ Oregon Metro Connects Consortium offering Math 95/111/112 at targeted high schools
 - ✓ Implementing/expanding self-paced accelerated learning programs for low-performing students and those enrolled in Math 20 (ALEKS and WeBWork)

- THREE: Expand Professional Development
 - ✓ Teaching and Learning Centers are working more closely with the Office of Professional and Organization Development – strategic goals, including student success
 - ✓ The New Faculty institute offers information on student services, technology support, student demographics, and effective teaching modalities for new full-time faculty

RECOMMENDATIONS

- ▶ THREE: Expand Professional Development
 - ✓ Part-time Faculty Institutes offer some sessions on student services and effective teaching and classroom management strategies
 - ✓ Learning Assessment Council offers faculty assessment class once per year – assessing for improvement, which can affect completion and retention
 - ✓ Professional Learning Communities (PLC) support faculty in understanding how to improve their professional practice and student learning

- ▶ THREE: Expand Professional Development
 - ✓ The Center for Careers in Education prof dev classes for PCC faculty – critical theory – learning differences – formative feedback – assessment – teaching philosophies

All of the above have the potential to <u>directly impact</u> student learning, retention, completion However, the focused goals of student success are not yet *systematically* messaged throughout the College

- FOUR: Improve Internal Communications & Align Organizational Efforts with a Focus on Student Success and Completion
 - Aligning of efforts to the strategic plan and themes will improve collaboration
 - Consistent, easily identifiable message about student learning and success should permeate the internal environment and motivate faculty, staff, and students

- ▶ FOUR: Improve Internal Communications
 - ✓ PCC Panther Path adopted and is increasingly integrated into planning, assessment, and student communications
 - ✓ A Panther Path Leadership Team formed to integrate as a visible, interactive guide to success for students
 - Discussions soon to begin concerning PCC Website information for prospective and new students – more visible – more engaging

- ▶ FOUR: Improve Internal Communications
 - Chief of Staff established an Internal Communications Work Group
 - √ Technology Assessment
 - ✓ Dr. Brown Campus Conversations & expanding to centers
 - ✓ EAC/LAC Assessment Integration Workgroup communicating alignment of assessment of learning with current curricular processes

- FOUR: Improve Internal Communications
 - ✓ Comp Lit, DE, and ABE SACs collaborating through an "uber" assessment and curriculum alignment project

WHAT WE REALLY DID - HOW WE REALLY SERVED

- We served as a cross-disciplinary and cross functional forum - focus on student success and completion - we were a sounding board to all those who had ideas and a desire to try something new
- We were a catalyst calling out the need and being collaborative to those who answered

WHAT'S NEXT??

- Officially: On to the Engage Stage working closely with those who are embarking on the Advising Review
- Back to the drawing board with data related to *Engage*
- Where do we fit into the Strategic Plan????
 - ✓ Drive Student Success
 - ✓ Ignite a Culture of Innovation

THE PANTHER PATH

