

Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for taking the time to attend this important **Pathways Deans and Chairs Meeting** held Thursday, February 02, 2017. Here is a quick recap of the meeting:

Program Recap:

Attached are the **agenda and PowerPoints** that were presented during the meeting. **Instructions and data sets will follow in a separate email, as well as follow-up answers to posed questions.** Key points covered were:

- **Background on Pathways Efforts and Description of Institute #2** - Dr. Kristina Wilson shared information surrounding the Texas Pathways Project and described the homework for State-Wide Institute that will take place in March.
- **Discussion of College-Wide Professional and Organizational Development Day** – Darci Cather shared the plans for College-Wide. Academic Affairs will meet in the morning at the Edinburg Conference Center. Registration and light breakfast will be from 8:00-8:45 a.m. and the meeting will begin at 9:00. Evaluations of the morning session should be submitted electronically this year.

Lunch will be on one's own, and then department meetings will begin at 1:30 p.m. In the department meetings, Chairs will facilitate a discussion on Pathways Program-Level Data. Chairs will show provided data to their faculty and then discuss eight questions from the state-assigned pathways homework. One person will act as the recorder, entering the department's responses/perceptions electronically to the following website:

https://southtexascollege.formstack.com/forms/tpp_institute_2_prework.

All responses should be submitted electronically by 5:00 p.m. on February 10th. **Departments are asked to consider their own programs** as they answer these questions.

Instructions and corresponding data sets will be attached in a separate email.

Upcoming Events:

In the spring semester, we will have the following upcoming events on the Texas Pathways Project.

- **College-Wide Professional and Organizational Development Day (Feb. 10, 2017)** – During CWPOD, Dr. Rob Johnstone, Founder and President of the National Center for Inquiry and Improvement, will join us to discuss Pathways during the morning general session. During the afternoon session, departments will be asked to discuss their data and answer questions which will inform the next round of homework for the State-wide Pathways Institute in March.
- **Texas Pathways Project Institute #2 (March 5-7th)** – South Texas College Pathways Core Leadership team will convene in Dallas to review homework and complete additional assigned work.

- **Semester Recap Meeting (End of April)** – At the end of April, STC leaders will be updated on Institute #2 and the work that was accomplished there, as well as the next steps.

Thank you again for all of your support and effort on this project. We greatly appreciate your input.