



**Student Affairs Leadership Team Minutes
February 2, 2026/10 am.
The Beach**

Chair: Jeff McGoy, Vice President of Student Affairs

Roll Call:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mindy Ashby	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jacqueline Smith	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Danielle Boyd	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	John Sparks	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tyler Dixon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amber Suggs	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Anita Gentry	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lindsay Johnson	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jeff McGoy (VPSA)	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

✓ Indicates attendance; leaving blank indicates an absence.

- I. The VPSA called the meeting to order at 9:59 am.
- II. A motion was made by Mindy Ashby and seconded by Anita Gentry to approve the minutes from December 2, 2025.
- III. Kudos
 - a. Vice President McGoy gave kudos to the entire Student Affairs department for maintaining professionalism and supporting students during the changes within the department.
 - b. Amber Suggs gave kudos to Donna Price for collaborating with outside agencies while handling difficult student situations.
 - c. Anita Gentry gave kudos to Mindy Ashby for continuing to build the Navigate 360 platform and training faculty.
 - d. Vice President McGoy gave kudos to Jacqueline Smith for the work being done in Bernie's Place.

IV. Roundtable

Registrar—Danielle Boyd

- Cleaning up the advisor assignment list.
- Emphasis was placed on the importance of advisors updating students' status.
- Working on a process to collect required transcripts as a result of the VA audit.
- Stephanie is creating ID cards.

Student Support Services—Amber Suggs

- Have 23 slots to fill for this academic year.
- Close to submitting the APR (Annual Performance Report).
- Do not currently have a program officer due to the partial government shutdown.



- The Department of Education has begun transitioning TRiO programs to the Department of Labor.
- TRiO funding has received a line allocation from the education committee to be passed with the national budget/funding.
- SSS is collaborating with Kevin Hunsperger for a social media campaign for National TRiO Day.
- SSS is conducting classroom recruitment visits.
- SSS is collaborating with Kevin Hunsperger and Blake Goforth to provide headshots and resume templates to graduating sophomores.

Director of Enrollment—Anita Gentry

- Continued work on advisor assignments to ensure appropriate distribution across dual credit, main campus, and extension centers.
- Progress underway on developing operating standards for academic overload, including required approval signatures.

Front Desk & Student Workers

- Nikki has settled into her new role and is completing cross-training with Danielle and Stephanie on application data entry, transcript processing, and document uploads.
- Nikki has developed a training document and job expectations guide for student workers.

Advisement

- Advisors continue to create and update academic plans, respond to alerts, and manage open cases.
- A team meeting was held to clarify expectations for open case management after identifying inconsistent student follow-up within Navigate. Shared understanding and accountability have now been established.

Recruitment

- Stacy is finalizing a recruitment event calendar and will share it with the full team once complete.
- High School visits will occur twice monthly, with faculty and staff assisting during times when Stacy is off campus.
- Increased focus on 9th and 10th-grade engagements, including career exploration, college search, and early planning activities.
- The next recruitment meeting will focus on developing a menu of workshops and lecture series for high school counselors, aligning outreach efforts with the recruitment funnel and strategic priorities.

Extension Centers

- Establishing events and summer programming for FY26.
- Planning an OTA information night.



- Hosting multiple community programs, hiring events, workforce training, and business.

Student Success—Mindy Ashby

Director of Student Success

- Ongoing collaboration with the University of Illinois regarding the SUCCESS Holistic Advisement and Equity Initiative.
- Working with OMD on dual credit processes and alignment.
- Cross-training Trina Moore in the Testing Center.
- Collaborating with faculty and staff on the new CBE Coaching/Advising role.
- Continued training and support for Navigate360 at extension centers.
- Ongoing system configuration and adoption efforts.

Student Engagement

- Celebration of Black History Month, scavenger hunt, display, and trivia.
- Homecoming Week activities are underway.
- Campus event scheduled for Saturday.
- Planning for CTE Day - February 19.

Testing Center

- Trina Moore has transitioned into the role previously held by Jordan Curtis.
- Ongoing training and onboarding.

Tutoring Services

- All tutors are using Navigate360 for scheduling and reporting.
- Allied Health Tutor is fully integrated.

Career Services

- Updates pending and will be shared upon receipt.

Counseling Services

- Continued collaboration with Arrowleaf for student referrals.

Executive Assistant to VPSA—Jacqueline Smith

- The selection of the 2026 Distinguished Alumnus is underway.
- Information regarding requesting commencement regalia will be emailed in the coming days.
- The Student Engagement Team, Student Support Services, PTK, the Saints Foundation, and the Vice President of Student Affairs collaborated to purchase a refrigerator and freezer for Bernie's Place.
- The Saints Foundation is working to renew SCC's partnership with Tri-State Food Bank to obtain fresh fruits and vegetables from their local distribution center.



Athletics/Fitness Center—John Sparks

- Baseball eligibility will be completed this week.
- Softball eligibility will be completed by the end of next week.
- SCC athletic roster numbers:
 - Men's Basketball—15/15
 - Women's Basketball—6/15
 - Softball—14/20
 - Baseball—33/24
 - Volleyball—9/14Total: 77/88
- Women's Basketball Sophomore and Employee Appreciation (Maroon Out) Night will be on February 18.
- Men's Basketball Sophomore Night will be on February 28.
- Athletic Banquet scheduled for the week of May 4.
- The SAINTS Annual All-Star Game (boys) will be on April 23.
- The NJCAA National Convention will be in Kansas City, Missouri, April 13-17.

Educational Talent Search—Tyler Dixon

- Meeting with area school superintendents.
- Showcasing TRiO alums on Social Media.
- Preparing for TRiO Day.
- Steamlining application
- Hosting a Financial Literacy session during the 4-H day with the University of Illinois.
- Talent Search budget approved.
- Back-to-School Camp planned for August 6 and 7.

V. The Student Affairs Council is working on the add/drop policy.

VI. The Recruitment and Enrollment Team is working on community engagement opportunities and recruitment material.

VII. The Student Experience Team has not met.

VIII. AIM has not met.

IX. VPSA Updates

- a. Meeting with directors and teams to go over job descriptions.
- b. Performance evaluations are complete, and meetings will be scheduled soon.
- c. One Million Degree program initiated, focusing on retention and completion for underrepresented students. Blake Goforth was named the college navigator.
- d. Financial Aid has received only five applicants for the director position. The VPSA gave kudos to the staff and the consultant, Mary, for their hard work in preparing for the veterans audit.



- e. The college has received \$10,000 to implement the Common App. Future budget needs were discussed.
 - f. The SIU Associate Provost for Student Success presentation will be on Thursday, February 20.
 - g. Student Affairs is continuing to increase collaboration with Academic Affairs.
- X. Cabinet Updates
- a. Each department needs to provide feedback on the strategic goals and objectives using the RACI framework to identify the deliverables, resources, and barriers. Feedback is due to the VPSA by February 4 in preparation for the upcoming cabinet retreat.
 - b. SCC officially owns the Union County Extension Center. There will be a ribbon-cutting soon.
 - c. FY27 budgets are due February 15.
 - d. Wish lists/Justifications are now due.
 - e. Teams are being asked to identify strategic priorities for inclusion within the 5-year plan.
 - f. SIU Human Health & Sciences Dean visited with VPAA Pecord regarding potential pathways and class offerings on campus to complete degrees with SIU. More to come as additional visits with SIU team members are scheduled.
 - g. SCC is one of several schools that may be awarded an IGEN grant ranging from \$44K to 106K.
 - h. VPSA McGoy nominated Mindy Ashby to be interviewed for the Aspen interview.
 - i. The CCCSE Survey has been updated.
 - j. The concession stand ribbon cutting will be on February 6 at 3 pm.
 - k. The ballfield facility upgrades and the L-Atrium elevator will be underway soon.
 - l. There was mixed feedback on the relevance and ongoing use of the DISC communication styles. An updated master list will be shared.
 - m. KFVS12 has purchased WSIL
 - n. The Allied Health & Nursing department's Facebook pages have been hacked. The team was instructed to be aware of scams and not to open suspicious links.
 - o. CNA will begin again at the Alexander County Extension Center on February 9.
 - p. Legacy Training, LLC will be having a Southern Illinois Conference on Justice on April 9 and 10.
 - q. Staff was reminded to check out the weekly ICYMI newsletter that Kevin sends out.
 - r. Lunch with Leadership will be on April 22.
 - s. Dr. Taylor received a 4.6 out of 5 on the Student Affairs portion of his evaluation.



XI. Other

- a. The CBE Management program was approved by ICCB and will begin this fall.
 - b. VPSA strongly encouraged the teams to participate in the Homecoming events and other campus events to foster engagement and collaboration.
 - c. The VPSA asked the department heads to share the minutes and updates with their teams to ensure awareness of campus activities and initiatives.
- XII. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am after receiving a motion, seconded by John Sparks and Danielle Boyd.

The next meeting is on March 3, 2026, at 10 am in room H2025 (The Beach).