Minutes

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- **Campus Return Planning** - The announcement regarding the statewide lift of restrictions by June 15, 2021 will impact assumptions that have undergirded planning efforts for the fall ramp up. Units should plan for a fall quarter with significantly more students on campus than 2020, which was the first fall quarter during the COVID-19 pandemic.

- **Worksite Plans** – Worksite plans are due before July 1, 2021. Contact EH&S with any questions.

- **Communication**
  - **Webinar/Campus Briefing** – Each UCR Campus Return Continuity Working Group will hold a webinar that will be livestreamed via YouTube in the coming weeks to update students, staff, faculty, and other members of the campus community. The livestream for the Student Services Working Group (SSWG) will be scheduled during the week of May 10.
  - **Student Communication** – It was mentioned that communication efforts moving forward should consider the overall volume and dissemination platforms utilized to reach students. It was suggested that social media can be an effective means to communicate to students. SSWG members are encouraged to contact Genesis Gonzalez if they have additional ideas regarding reaching cohorts of students.
  - **Pledge** – SSWG members are asked to review the current student pledge that was created last year prior to remote instruction. The plan is to update the pledge for all students prior to their return to campus in fall 2021.

- **Vaccination Requirement** – UCR Continuity Working Groups are discussing the vaccination requirement. The matter will impact planning and service delivery in the fall. Some universities have issued public statements regarding their stance on the topic.

- **Ambassadors** – Plans are to implement a student ambassadors program. The Well will develop a plan and it will be discussed further during an upcoming SSWG meeting. SSWG members with items that can be utilized as incentives are encouraged to reach out.

- **Phased Campus Ramp Up** – There was a discussion regarding identifying various student-facing services on campus that will reopen in stages. It was noted that the framework/gatherings policy will provide guidance to the campus community regarding capacity and utilization of various campus spaces. This policy is forthcoming and input is encouraged.

The topic regarding remote learning and other accommodations for of students with disabilities was mentioned. This topic can be discussed further as planning efforts ensue.

A slide can be integrated into virtual orientation activities to inform students about fall plans and policies.

- **Minutes** - Please review the minutes located in the shared drive from the charge meeting via email during the upcoming week.

- **Next Steps** – In addition to the action items listed above, the SSWG will further discuss a timeline for the campus ramp up; subcommittees; and feedback from students in terms of fall plans and needs. The SSWG is also asked to consider cohorts of students (i.e. international students, first-year, etc.).