

Policy Committee
600 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02111
September 3, 2020
11:00 AM -12:30 PM
Minutes

Attended: Naomi Goldberg, Inez Canada, Dawn Clark, James Carnazza, Sarah Wiles, Olympia Stroud, and Kevin Goodwin. This meeting was held virtually via Zoom.

Attendees discussed the documents that have been gathered, created, and revised thus far in preparation for putting together a recommended curriculum.

The following feedback and recommendations were offered by the group.

- Rearranging the order of the checklist. Inez suggested the following:
 - VR counselor
 - Financial aid
 - Important dates for college
 - Disability Services Office
 - College Handbook...
- Including space to add “mental health counselor” in the community support section of the checklist
- Adding space for local center for independent living on the checklist and adding accompanying explanation of CILs
- Adding a document explaining MRC’s financial policies and referencing it in checklist
- Adding information about other avenues to pursue for discrimination

Discussion continued about whether the written documents were easy to understand and covered all necessary areas. Naomi will forward the document about rights in education to Olympia who offered to share it with a colleague who understands how to create documents that are easily read and understood by students. Naomi will also ask Sheryl to review the document to see whether she thinks it would be appropriate for her consumers and if she thinks anything is missing.

- Inez will forward the financial and scholarship information document.
- James will determine whether it is possible to share the document/letter that he uses to explain MRC’s financial policies for students.
- Naomi will look for an appropriate document that explains CILs

Since the Policy Committee may be completing this recommendation at the next meeting we anticipate time at the next meeting to strategize on the two other recommendations assigned to the committee.

- The next meeting of the Policy Committee will be Thursday October 1, 2020 from 11:00 to 12:30.