MCCAD Meeting Notes 5.15.25

Present: Jeremy Guc- Oakland CC, Jenni Kotowski- Kellogg CC, Lisa vonReichbauer- Northwestern Michigan College, Omar Gonzalez- Grand Rapids CC, Angela Ackman- Schoolcraft College, Jessica Beaver- Bay College, Sarah Luker- Muskegon CC, Heidi Schall – Macomb CC, Katie Navock – Monroe CCC.

Conference Planning

- Jenni will send out a request for info from attendees to build a Kahoot for an ice-breaker.
- Attendees are asked to bring a big swag item for a giveaway.
- Topics to discuss at Conference
    - Fraud will be covered.
    - Approaches to training and onboarding new staff.
    - Departmental structures of our various colleges also an interest.
    - New Student Orientation planning.
    - First Year Experience
    - International PDSO & DSO topics
    - MI Reconnect and CC Guarantee
    - Recruiting events we're hosting (onsite & virtual)
    - Admissions material & promo item show & tell

Other Topics Discussed:

- Bay College is converting from Jenzabar to Colleague. Interested in an Element 451 demo.
- Question from Monroe CCC: who asks if an applicant has a felony on their record.
    - Bay College does. They put a code on student record to put in different admissions stage. These apps are forwarded to head of security and academic affairs for review and admissions decision.
    - Northwestern College does similar. They require info on prior misdemeanors and felonies. Make decisions on what to do on case-by-case basis.
- Bay College- asked what summer student help looks like at other CC's.
    - Muskegon uses student workers for help processing applications
    - Monroe CCC has a Student Ambassador program that they tap into for tour and event help.
    - OCC uses scholarship $$ to fund student workers. Depend heavily on F-1 students.
    - Idea suggested to look into having students work to pay off on-campus housing costs (if housing exists on your college).