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Training Your Successor to be Successful

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ALAMOSA, COLORADO

- Population 10,000
- 220 miles South of Denver
- 30 miles away from the New Mexico border
- Claim to fame: coldest spot in the nation



SAN LUIS VALLEY

- World's largest alpine valley
- Average altitude, 7500 feet
- Valley floor is desert, but ringed by majestic mountains
- Claim to fame: Great Sand
 Dunes National Monument



ADAMS STATE UNIVERSITY

- Small state supported university
- Approx. 2500 on-campus students, undergrad and graduate programs
- Recent enrollment high of 3700,
 online graduate programs and
 1 PHD program/counseling
- Extended Studies department serves approximately 12,000 students



STUDENT BUSINESS SERVICES

- Collect and receipt university revenues
- Assess tuition and fees for both undergraduate and graduate programs
- Student accounts and third party billing
 - Online billing
 - Private Scholarships
 - College Opportunity Fund (unique to Colorado)
- Financial aid
 - Disburse and refund to students
 - Counsel students and parents regarding financial aid, requirements, and other resources

STUDENT BUSINESS SERVICES CONTINUED

- All aspects of Collections, including Perkins Loan
- 3 staff members
 - Bennie, 18 years
 - Greg, 11 years
 - Lillian, 4 months



COHEAO - Coalition of Higher Education Assistance Organization

"For more than 35 years, COHEAO has served as the industry's premier partnership of colleges, universities and organizations dedicated to promoting the Federal campus-based loan programs and addressing the most pressing issues in student financial services today."

ONBOARDING AND ACCESS TO TOOLS & TECHNOLOGY

- ONBOARDING & ACCESS to all the tools and technology to begin the job can take days, weeks, or months to accomplish
- Back in the day all new employees needed:
 - Keys
 - Telephone
 - Paper & Pencil
 - Columnar tablets
 - 10 key adding machine, if you worked with numbers

- KEYS
 - Does your employer have a policy regarding keys?
 - What is the policy?
- Telephone
 - Does employee need an authorization code to place long distance calls?
- Others???
 - Picture ID Card
 - Business Cards
 - Name Tags
 - Purchasing Card
 - Travel Card
 - Company Apparel

- HUMAN RESOURCES
 - Schedule time
 - Hopefully before employee starts
 - Performance Planning & Evaluation (employee)
- HR generates the employee's ID number
 - The ID number gives the employee access to:
 - Computer login, general computer use
 - Email
 - Banner Self-Service
 - Shared Drive

REQUIRED TRAINING

- FERPA (Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act)
 - Complete and pass training to gain access to ERP
- Credit Card Training
 - PCI compliance

Don't Forget

- **■** BUDGET
- Performance Planning & Evaluation (for those supervised)

OFF CAMPUS OPERATIONS

- COF College Opportunity Fund
 - Specific to Colorado
- Third Party Services
 - Student Refunds
 - Online Payment Gateway
 - Student Billing
 - Collection Agencies
 - Third Party Payment Vendors (ie AIPORTAL used for military billing)
- Online Access
 - Banking to transfer funds, upload files, and balance files

THE ERP – ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING SYSTEM

- The central system that houses our business and operational functions.
- SIS STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM
 - Admissions
 - Catalog & Class Schedule
 - Registration
 - Student Housing
 - Accounts Receivable
- FINANCIAL AID
- FINANCE
- HUMAN RESOURCES
- GENERAL



THE ERP – ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING SYSTEM CONTINUED

- Basic & Advanced Training
 - Navigation
 - Forms
 - Processes
 - Jobs
 - Work Orders
- Hands on Training
- Upgrades and Testing



CROSSTRAINING



- Define the most critical aspects of your job.
- Don't underestimate the time and commitment needed for successful training!

DOCUMENTATION AND ORGANIZATION – DATA, DATA, DATA IT'S EVERYWHERE.

- Now where did I put it?
 - Network files
 - Personal
 - Shared files
 - Calendar with network locations
 - Be sure to add footer to document
 - Dates and who was present for meeting notes
 - Save emails which document processes
- DOES ANYONE HAVE ORGANIZATIONAL TIPS TO SHARE?

CUSTOMER SERVICE

- Diversity
- Respect and Dignity
- The Difficult Customer
- Student Business Services Philosophy
 - Student Success
- Walk the campus



WHO YOU GONNA CALL?

GHOSTBUSTERS!

- Resources at ASU
- Resources from another school
- CAASLAR (Colorado Association of Student Loans & Accounts Receivable)
- COHEAO
- NACUBO
- Partners at Collection Agencies



LESSONS LEARNED

- Unknown Author

Bea, are you ready to retire?

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I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

- Maya Angelou

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If you don't know what to do with many of the papers piled on your desk, stick a dozen colleagues' initials on them and pass them along. When in doubt, route.

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- Malcolm S. Forbes, businessman

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God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know . . . when to shut up.

- Unknown Author

What are your stories or lessons learned?

Thank you