Win-Win Fall Gathering, October 25, 2012

PCC
Portland Community College

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About PCC

"Portland Community College is the largest institution of higher learning in the state, serving more than 1,373,758 college-age residents in a five-county, 1,500-square-mile area in NW Oregon."

Cast of Characters

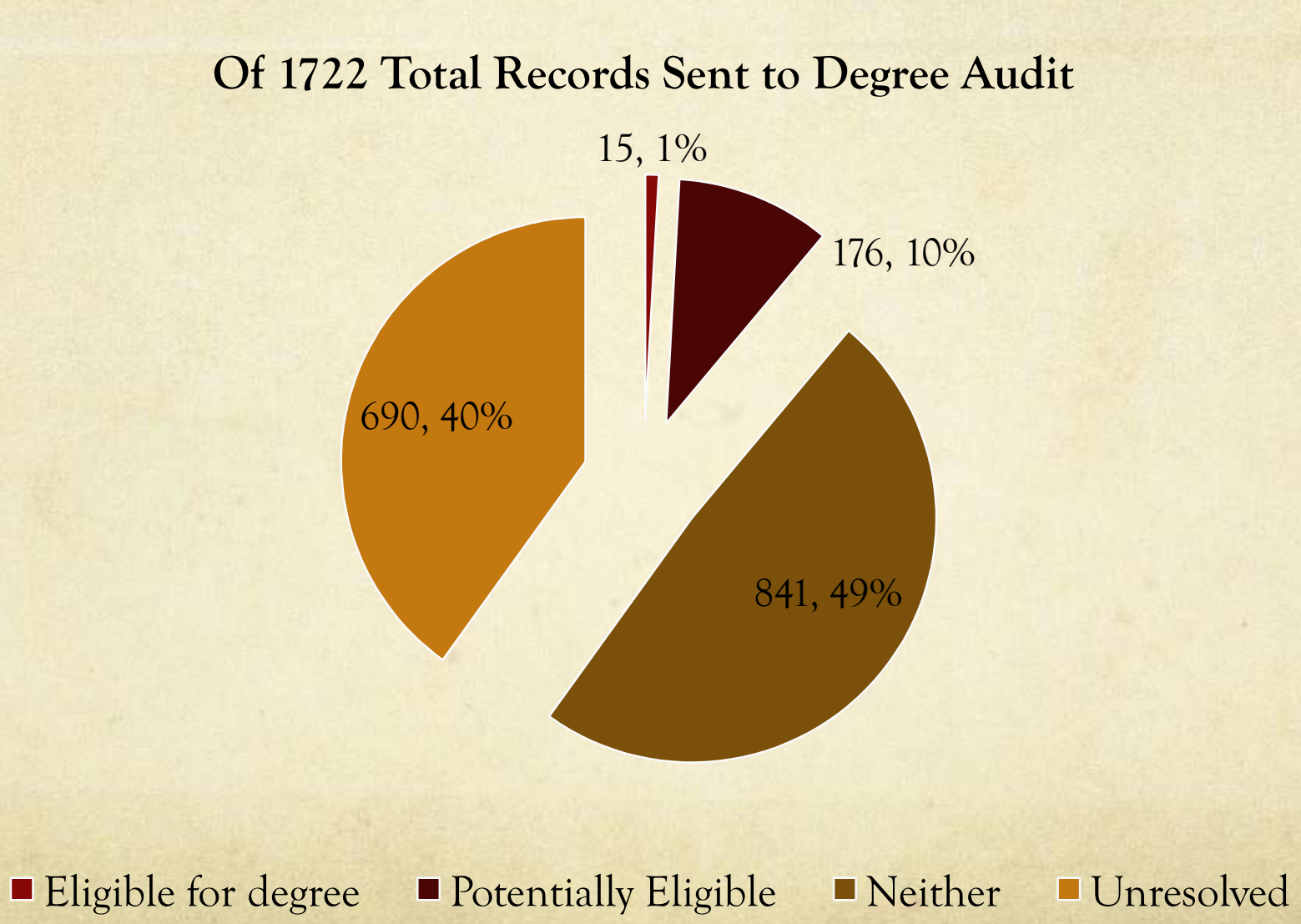
Big picture planning

- Dean of Student Affairs
- Registrar

Strategic steps

- Coordinator of Records/Enrollment: Led effort to evaluate the "eligible" and "potentially eligible" populations
- Student Records Assistant: Degree evaluations (for students with no record of OCCURS transfer credit)
- Evaluator: Degree evaluations (for students with transfer credits)

Win-Win Data (9/6/12)



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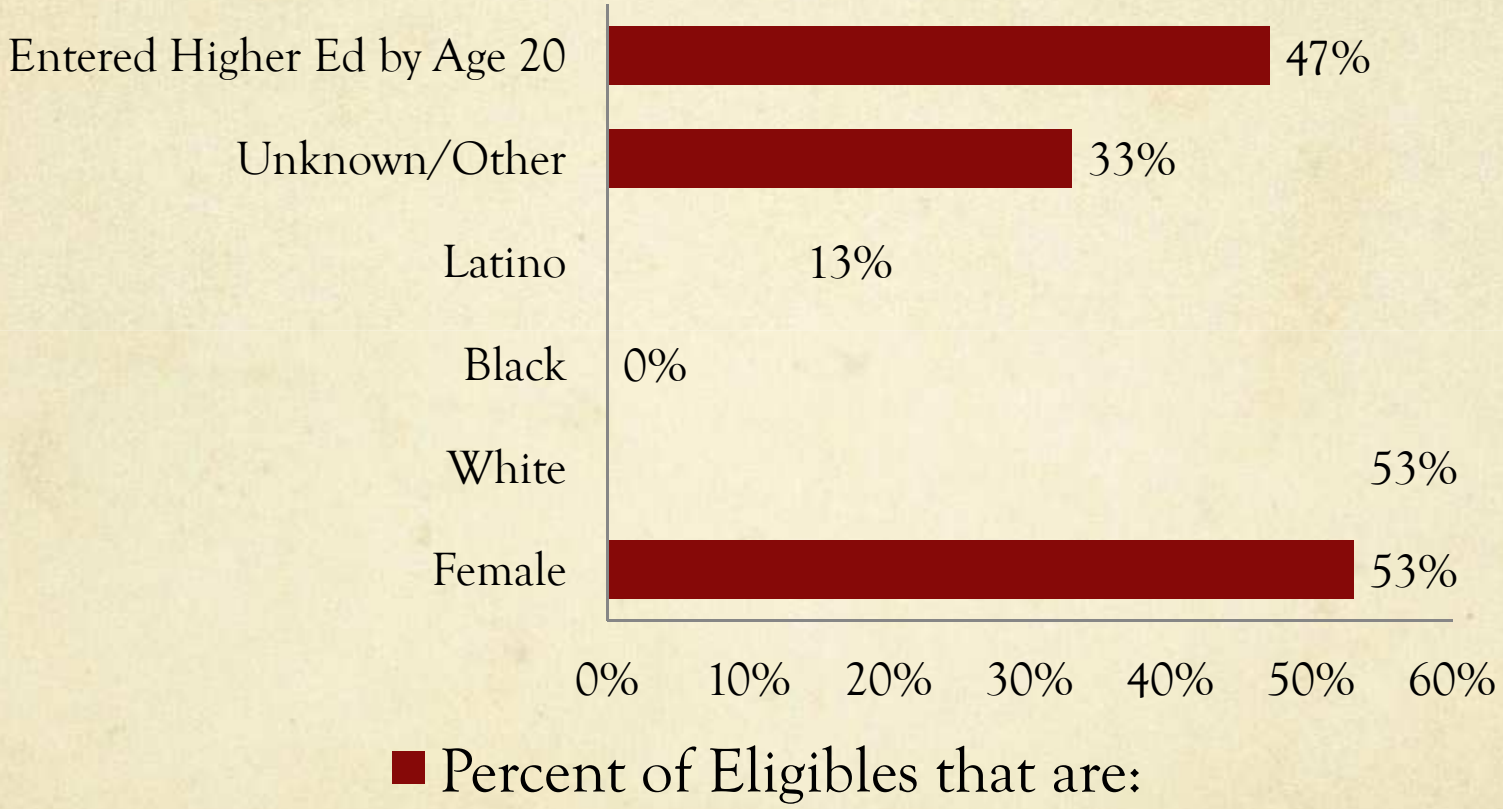

Degree Audits Overview

- What we learned?
- Completion initiatives
- Next steps

What we learned?

- Few to none were missing the PCC residency requirement (24 credits)
- Various general education requirements (e.g., math, writing, arts & letters, lab science, etc.) were the most common barrier
- If student did not meet the AAOT benchmark, overall credits/electives were not a barrier
- Few students were currently enrolled
- Opt out

Locating potentially eligible students

"We do not have an easy method to identify which of our former students' addresses are currently valid."

- PCC will use student addresses that are less than 2 years old
- QAS Pro's "skip trace" function for older address

Completion Initiatives

In 2011 PCC ranked 13 in top 100 community colleges awarding degrees

- Project Degree Completion (past 3 yrs)
  - PCC awarded over 496 degrees & certificates
  - These would have been found w/ Win-Win
- Culture shift for staff toward customer service & degree completion
- Simplifying the graduation process
  - Elimination of
    - $10 Fee
    - Application
- Institutional award of degrees Fall 2012

Next steps

- Review potential eligible list and audit for AGS awarding
- Outreach to "Potentially Eligible" population
- Embarking on reverse transfer with Portland State University
  - Reviewing sample data now
  - Seem to be few barriers to this reverse transfer
  - One item to be determined: how to notify co-admitted student, in advance, that PCC is awarding degrees this way

Questions?

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