Academic Deans’ Council  
December 7, 2017  
Provost’s Conference Room  
Minutes


Minutes:
   Minutes approved with correction.

President’s Comments
- Told members to be sure to not promise any space to anyone as the moving into new buildings and spaces begins.
- The OP that relates to speakers on campus is being reviewed because of the occurrences of incendiary speakers targeting smaller schools. We don’t want to limit free speech but we don’t want to support hate groups/people either.
- A behavioral intervention coordinator is being hired. The committee made up of volunteers that currently exists will be under the coordinator.
- There is some issue with the SBDC at its current location. The SBDC can be moved back on campus if need be.

Old Business:
2. Topic: SACSCOC (D. Topliff)
   - D. Topliff said the biggest theme in all the sessions at the SACSCOC conference seemed to be what institution is doing for retention and how is data being used in assessment.
   - D. Topliff informed members that new standards were passed. The old resource manuals are no longer relevant. New resource manuals will be ready about February. The five-year report timeline will be affected somewhat because of the delay in receiving the new resource manuals which list the standards and evidence requirements.

New Business:
3. Topic: CARR Distinguished Committee (D. Topliff)
   - D. Topliff told members he needs nominations of one person from each College to serve on the committee by end of the day today.

4. Topic: Curriculum (D. Topliff)
   - D. Topliff informed members he attended the SACS conference this last weekend. He said the hot topic was curriculum review because of the push on graduation rates and retention rates. ASU is in lower third in comparison to other LSC peers in 4-year retention and graduation rates. He said it is time to look at all curriculum to see if there are inhibitions to retention and graduating, if it is a benefit to students, and is it really necessary. D. Topliff said there is a national move to clear up definitions. He asked members to take this information back to the departments.
5. Topic: Microsoft Power BI (D. Topliff)
   - D. Topliff informed members this program has a series of dashboards to visualize reports without using COGNOS and is inexpensive and very similar to program from EAB. He said the decision to purchase 10 licenses has already been made. There are 2 licenses for a product called Tableau but it is significantly more expensive than Power BI.

Roundtable

Carolyn Gascoigne
   - This is the last week for the play “My Fair Lady”.
   - 23 submissions have been received for mini grants.

John Wegner
   - Informed members the Academic Coach position has been offered and accepted.
   - An email regarding pre-built schedules will be sent out next week to advisors first and they will then disseminate the information to the departments.
   - The prior credit report now includes comments from advisors. The report is run once per week. Departments wishing to add a comment to the report should email the comment to the advisor who will then enter it into the report. The NFT detail report of who is enrolled and who is not enrolled will also be sent. Instructions for these reports will be sent as well.

Adjournment