

Academic Deans' Council
December 10, 2009
Provost's Office
Minutes

Present: N. Allen, G. Blount, K. Lambert, J. Limbaugh, B. May,
L. Mayrand, J. Miazga

Minutes:

1. Topic: Minutes from last meeting.
Minutes were approved without changes.
Responsible Party: N. Allen

Old Business

2. Topic: Posthumous Policy (Jim Limbaugh)
J. Limbaugh shared a draft of basic tenets for an OP addressing the posthumous award of degrees. The members supported the concept of such a policy. J. Limbaugh will continue to review policies at other institutions and create a draft for review.
Responsible Party: J. Limbaugh
3. Topic: SACS Update (Jim Limbaugh)
J. Limbaugh noted the increasingly close attention to every aspect of academic institutions by SACS because of federal mandates. Additionally, the QEP has taken on increasing importance because of federal intrusion. Of particular interest to SACS are assessment of student learning outcomes, assessment of support services, and faculty qualifications.
Responsible Party: J. Limbaugh
4. Topic: College Academic Advisors Update (J. Limbaugh)
The members shared the following status report on the respective college academic advisors:
 - College of Nursing and Allied Health—Advisor is in place.
 - College of Sciences—J. Limbaugh and G. Blount are addressing issues related to the position.
 - Colleges of Business, Education, and Liberal and Fine Arts—Respective advisor positions will be posted soon.Responsible Party: J. Limbaugh, Deans

New Business

5. Topic: AG-IDEA Consortium (Grady Blount)
N. Allen distributed copies of a proposal from the Department of Agriculture for membership in the AG-IDEA Consortium. Discussion by the members will occur after the winter holiday.
Responsible Party: N/A, Informational

Round Table

Brian May

- Enrollment is progressing in classes at Boerne.
- The possibility exists for engaging agents for recruiting international students from the Far East. The members agreed that such an option requires intensive study and must be discussed strategically.

John Miazga

- The chair for the NCATE review team will be on campus at the end of February.

Corbett Gauden

- The College of Business has learned that visiting teams from ACBSP will no longer follow the same method as that used at ASU.

Leslie Mayrand

- Issues with stimulus funding may be addressed soon.

Nancy Allen

- Sharynn Tomlin requests the deans and department heads forward any course substitution approvals for study abroad students to the Center for International Studies. The members reported on the number of requests they had approved and suggested that students might not be requesting approval in a timely fashion.
- HEAF funds have been distributed. Deans and department heads will receive notification next week.
- The retreat to revise selected operating policies will be January 7 and 8 from 8:30 until 4:00 at Bentwood.

Adjournment