

Academic Deans' Council
January 28, 2010
Provost's Office
Minutes

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

Guests:

1. Topic: Discover ASU (Steve Klein, Megan Wheeler, Lorri Morris)
S. Klein, M. Wheeler, and L. Morris reported that the Junell Center is not available for the first Discover ASU session; therefore the new format of separate fairs is not possible. The Council recommended following the old format for this first session with the new format being implemented for the remaining sessions when the Center is available.

Minutes:

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

Old Business

3. Topic: College Advisors (Jim Limbaugh)
J. Limbaugh encouraged the deans who had not yet posted vacancy announcements for their respective academic advisors to do so. Additionally, the deans will discuss a process for a university-wide advising plan that includes all the advising components as well as other initiatives related to advising such as FYE, etc.
Responsible Party: J. Limbaugh; Nancy Allen, Deans
4. Topic: Core Curriculum (Jim Limbaugh)
J. Limbaugh will meet with the University Core Curriculum Committee and anticipates that the group will not recommend to delete the 2 hours of lab science and 1 hour of PA in order to create a consistent 42-hour core for the university. The Faculty Senate proposed a resolution supporting the 42-hour core that had to be withdrawn because of procedural issues required by the group's bylaws. J. Limbaugh's concern remains acting as quickly as possible to eliminate the existence of multiple cores on campus. He is awaiting the Core Curriculum Committee's response.
Responsible Party: J. Limbaugh; University Core Curriculum Committee
5. Topic: Space Utilization (Jim Limbaugh)
J. Limbaugh asked the membership about their work within their colleges to identify space appropriate to be taken off line in order to be able to proceed with the new CHP. Several members reported that they were unable to

identify appropriate space. J. Limbaugh reported that G. Blount identified 11,000 feet of space by designating former classroom space as museums. This solution is, however, a short-term one, especially in light of the new approach to how the state approves building requests. J. Limbaugh will be holding discussions with G. Pecina to discuss how Academic Affairs can assume a central role in space allocation. Council members expressed their appreciation to G. Blount for his assistance.

Responsible Party: N/A, Informational

6. Topic: Suspension Issues with Banner (Corbett Gaulden)

Because of issues maintaining suspension designations within Banner that he discovered, C. Gaulden will work with C. Weeaks to seek a solution so that suspension identifications do not revert to probation designations.

Responsible Party: Corbett Gaulden; Cindy Weeks

7. Topic: GPA Issues with Banner (Corbett Gaulden)

Although grade point average and academic status should not change for individual semesters, C. Gaulden noted that changes do occur when a student repeats courses. G. Blount moved that Banner be modified to include a suspension override. K. Lambert seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved. K. Lambert moved that Banner be modified so that the semester GPA and academic status be maintained. G. Blount seconded the motion. The members unanimously approved the motion. J. Limbaugh asked C. Gaulden to work with C. Weeaks to address these Banner issues. Additionally, J. Limbaugh asked that Steve Klein attend an upcoming meeting to discuss how financial aid requirements and academic status align.

Responsible Party: Corbett Gaulden; Cindy Weeaks

8. Topic: First Year Faculty Evaluations (Nancy Allen)

Evaluations of first-year faculty are due next week. N. Allen complimented the deans and department heads of their timely submission of annual evaluation forms.

Responsible Party: Deans; Department Heads

9. Topic: Bookorder Deadlines (Nancy Allen)

N. Allen asked that the deans request department heads to adhere to deadlines identified for submitting textbook orders, especially in light of state-mandated requirements to provide titles of texts required for courses. L. Mayrand raised the issue of the bookstore not ordering sufficient texts. J. Limbaugh asked that L. Mayrand schedule a meeting with G. Pecina to discuss this chronic problem. K. Lambert recommended the issue be raised at the next meeting of the deans and department heads to gauge the extent to which departments are affected.

Responsible Party: L. Mayrand; J. Limbaugh

10. Topic: Center for Security Studies (Jim Limbaugh)

The 3K earmark is available to the university. J. Limbaugh, based on President Rallo's priorities, will be creating a structure so that a budget can be created because the director will not come onboard until mid-2011.

Responsible Party: Jim Limbaugh

New Business

No items were introduced.

Round Table

Jim Limbaugh

- Dr. Belle Whelan will be on campus next week. Various sessions are scheduled during which Dr. Whelan will address SACS-related issues, including the Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP).

Brian May

- Spring enrollment has increased over fall enrollment.

Grady Blount

- A contingent from Texas Tech's geoscience program will be on campus next week. This is the first time the group will have visited ASU.

Leslie Mayrand

- Stimulus money for the College of Nursing and Allied Health is now available.

Corbett Gauden

- The Small Business Development Center has been reaccredited.

John Miazga

- He noted the absence of graduate learning outcomes. J. Limbaugh noted that they are being developed. Additionally, J. Limbaugh noted he would be sending out how all the assessment components fit together with the SPOL budget component being addressed by Angie Wright with scheduled training using the system.
- The Interim Dean of the College of Education has indicated interest in renewing discussions with its ASU counterpart.

Adjournment