Academic Deans’ Council
April 21, 2016
Provost’s Conference Room
Minutes


Minutes:
1. Topic: Minutes from April 14, 2016
Minutes were approved as is.

Announcements:
- D. Topliff noted there are lots of events going on at this time of year and asked members to attend and support events as much as they are able to.

Old Business:
2. Topic: Campus Carry (Don Topliff)
   - D. Topliff informed members the Board of Regents reviewed the policy and had no recommendations for any changes. The policy will be formalized. A website for campus carry information will go live before the first new student orientation.

3. Topic: Budget (Don Topliff)
   - D. Topliff said ASU is probable looking at a flat budget. M&O amounts are based on a formula using FTEs so some will not receive the amounts they requested in SPOL. There will probably be a 2% raise next fiscal year.

New Business:
4. Topic: Ellucian (Don Topliff)
   - D. Topliff discussed the conference he attended. He reminded members of the action plan submitted by Ellucian for ASU. Members should contact him for a copy if they don’t have one.
   - D. Topliff said there were no negative comments when he asked other attendees at the conference about Degree Works.
   - Ellucian has a new product called Advise. D. Topliff will have Ellucian demo the product for ASU. This product would replace College Scheduler.
   - Ellucian has another new product going live in September called Ethos that will integrate with Banner. It is basically a hub between Banner and other programs. There is no additional cost to ASU for this product.

5. Topic: Travel (Don Topliff)
   - D. Topliff remarked that conference and travel expenses are high. He asked members to please monitor expenses and keep them reasonable (no $400 per night hotel rooms).
6. Topic: Test Policies (Don Topliff)
   • D. Topliff asked members to please monitor policies and make sure they are reasonable. Sometimes make up exams can’t be avoided. He said it appears to some that ASU does not cooperate with athletic intercollegiate activities.
   • There was some discussion on this issue. D. Topliff asked that the Faculty Senate discuss this issue and make recommendations to clear up and standardize policy.
   • J. Wegner informed members that Athletics has a new policy regarding coaches directly contacting faculty members. Faculty members may directly contact coaches but coaches must go through Jo’el and she will contact the faculty members. D. Topliff asked J. Wegner to work with him to draft a policy for faculty.

7. Topic: OP 12.01 (Don Topliff)
   • D. Topliff distributed a first draft copy of the new OP to members and asked them to review it. The OP will be discussed at a future meeting.

Roundtable

John Wegner
   • Asked members if a “D” earned in GS 1181 core course required a student to retake the course. Only one college said the core course would have to be retaken unless the student can use it as an elective but otherwise the student must earn a “C” or better.
   • There was some discussion regarding policy for students who earned an “F” in GS 1181.
   • The first New Student Orientation is scheduled for May 20.
   • Informed members he met with USTD 1101 teachers to restructure.

Susan Keith
   • Asked when the name change for the college would go before the Board of Regents. D. Topliff said since it is not on the agenda for May then in August.

Paul Swets
   • Suggested an information campaign for faculty regarding all courses being in Blackboard.
   • Informed members he was told that designated tuition funds cannot be used to purchase food. Only gift funds may be used. Is this a new policy and how are purchases to be made when no gift funds exist? D. Topliff said he would make inquiries regarding this issue.

Kraig Schell
   • Informed members the Faculty Senate has approved OP 6.23 and asked that any comments be submitted now.
   • OP 6.29 is currently being reviewed by the lawyers.
   • The 2016-2017 Faculty Senate President is Kimberly Livengood, Vice President is Erin Ashworth-King, and Secretary is Christine Purkiss.

Adjournment