

Academic Deans' Council
July 30, 2015
Provost's Conference Room
Minutes

Present: C. Jones, L. Mayrand, J. Miazga, K. Schell, P. Swets, S. Tomlin, D. Topliff,
J. Wegner

Minutes:

1. Topic: Minutes from July 9, 2015
Minutes were approved as written.
Responsible Party: C. Parks

Announcements:

- D. Topliff and P. Swets attended the TCCAO meeting in Austin last week. The Coordinating Board presented information on HB505 Dual Credit. Per the house bill the Coordinating Board cannot institute rules that limit who can take dual credit or how many hours, however, universities can. There were no changes in eligibility for dual credit. Several other house bills were discussed.
- D. Topliff told members of the Washington DC trip regarding the HSI funding proposal.
- Bill Kitch, Civil Engineering Department Chair, is now on campus and contacting students.

Old Business:

2. Topic: TSI Conversation (Don Topliff)
 - D. Topliff related his conversation with Coordinating Board representatives at the TCCAO meeting. The University can define "college ready". D. Topliff emailed to members a TSI flow chart.
3. Topic: New Faculty Orientation (Don Topliff)
 - D. Topliff opened a discussion on NFO. Biographies of new faculty should be sent the C. Parks. NFO by the Office of the Provost will be limited to just a couple of hours on one day and will focus on those faculty members new to San Angelo not just the University.
4. Topic: Transfer Policy (Don Topliff)
 - OP on admissions is going to the Board of Regents August 7. The OP includes only admission policy. Everything to do with enrollment has been removed.
 - The OP on transfers is being revised.

New Business:

5. Topic: Professorships and Chairs (Don Topliff)

- The announcement awarding the Tippet Professorship will be made soon.
- D. Topliff mentioned annual evaluations of professorships has been lacking and reminded members these evaluations are required.
- Procedures to select professorships are under review and will be revised as necessary.
- A new professorship will soon be available.

6. Topic: Faculty Letters (Don Topliff)

- D. Topliff mentioned the letters regarding raises are on his desk ready for signature. The letters will be distributed on Monday, August 10.

7. Topic: Budget (Don Topliff)

- D. Topliff stated he met with M. Fortin regarding library funding. The Deans will receive information from M. Fortin to be discussed with the Department Chairs regarding electronic subscriptions. The electronic subscriptions must be reviewed and culled.
- Enrollment is expected to rise about 200 students.
- Members briefly discussed admission appeals. Students who did not pass file review will be under the Freshman College for advising and tracking during their first year.
- Blackboard is on the auction block. Prices are expected to rise.

Roundtable

Leslie Mayrand

- Girls Night Out is August 24 at the Junell Center

John Wegner

- Advisors will be sent early alert changes today or tomorrow.

Kraig Schell

- Dean's evaluations data is available on RamPort.

Sharynn Tomlin

- A Career Fair for graduating Seniors will be held at Texas State in mid-September. ASU is providing transportation. The inclusion of computer science students is being considered.

Don Topliff

- Campus carry passed. A system-wide committee consisting of legal staff and all Provosts has been formed. Law does not allow universities to declare all campus areas "gun free".

Adjournment