

Academic Deans' Council
November 9, 2017
Provost's Conference Room
Minutes

Present: E. Ashworth-King, C. Gascoigne, C. Jones, J. Miazga, P. Swets, S. Tomlin,
D. Topliff

Minutes:

1. Topic: Minutes from October 26, 2017.
Minutes approved.

Announcements:

- D. Topliff informed members the degree earned by the student who was killed in the church shooting in Sutherland Springs will be awarded posthumously at the December graduation ceremony.
- D. Topliff told members the second FLC new faculty working luncheon is tomorrow. K. Livengood will be giving a presentation on Blackboard.
- D. Topliff reminded members the veterans' day event is tomorrow at 11:00 am in the UC lobby and he encouraged everyone to attend.

Old Business:

2. Chairs and Professorships (D. Topliff)
 - D. Topliff said he will send the list of chairs and professorships that have funds to members. The Faculty Senate is currently working on the review and revision of OP 06.21. D. Topliff said he would like to start the new chairs and professorships in January so the request for applications needs to go out as soon as possible.
3. Topic: Commencement (D. Topliff)
 - D. Topliff said in December the usual graduation ceremony format will be changed just a bit because of the posthumously awarded degree. When it comes time for the Curriculum and Instruction department degrees D. Topliff will present the posthumous degree first and then awarding of degrees will proceed as usual.
4. Topic: Budget (D. Topliff)
 - D. Topliff said the President already sent out an email to everyone about the 1% merit raise beginning January.
 - D. Topliff told members he has received several requests for additional compensation to faculty for duties above and beyond what their contract states as has been done in the past. He said he is not approving these requests and prefers to handle this issue with release time whenever possible.

New Business:

5. Topic: EAB (D. Topliff)

- D. Topliff told members he forwarded information from EAB on the product they are offering to them by email and asked that they review the information. He said he is setting up another phone conference that will include ASU IT personnel to review the product presentation. D. Topliff said a lot of what the product offers ASU is already doing. J. Wegner is currently at a conference and is checking out other platforms as well.

6. Topic: Core Issues (D. Topliff)

- D. Topliff informed members the way the core is presented in the Catalog is being revised for clarity. He said the way Degree Works is configured a student can be core complete but show ASU core is incomplete and this issue is being worked on.
- D. Topliff said the core committee met last week and it is clear there needs to be some education on the core and clarification of what is required by the State and what is ASU requirements. He also pointed out there is a difference between major requirements and core requirements. There was some discussion and a proposal to hold an “advising summit” for professional advisors and faculty advisors.

Roundtable

Erin Ashworth-King

- Told members the question of what happens to accumulated sick leave when someone leaves employment has come up. D. Topliff referred her to K. Neal in Human Resources to answer that question.

Clifton Jones

- Asked about the status of differential tuition going to the Board. D. Topliff said it is still on the December agenda and proposals are still being worked on and should be submitted as soon as possible
- C. Jones said the Dine with the Dean event on Tuesday featuring C. Gascoigne was very enjoyable. The next Dine with the Dean will be with P. Swets in February.

Adjournment