

Academic Deans' Council

April 30, 2020

Provost's Conference Room – Zoom Meeting

Minutes

Present: S. Clouse, C. Jones, J. Klingemann, C. Kreidler, M. Salisbury, P. Swets,
D. Topliff, J. Wegner.

Minutes:

1. Topic: Minutes from April 16, 2020.
Minutes approved.

Old Business:

2. Topic: Registrations (D. Topliff)
 - D. Topliff informed member summer I registration is flat, summer II is down and some lab courses were cancelled, fall registration is down about 5%. He shared a comparison report compiled by the Office of Enrollment Management.

New Business

3. Topic: Presidential Search (D. Topliff)
 - D. Topliff said Regent M. Long sent an email announcing the ASU Presidential Search Committee on Monday. He said the suggestion to include the Staff Senate president and the Student Government Association president on the search committee was declined. D. Topliff said the committee has already had its first meeting. The announcement was also made public the same day.
4. Topic: Emergency Authority (D. Topliff)
 - D. Topliff informed members that at the last Board of Regents meeting the Board gave emergency authority to the Chancellor and University Presidents. This gives them the ability to make decisions that normally require Board approval.
 - D. Topliff said the request for approval to employ a file review process for admission applications without ACT/SAT scores is in the process of being submitted.
5. Topic: Fall 2020/Return to Campus Plan (D. Topliff)
 - D. Topliff shared a first draft plan with members. The draft plan contributors also included the interim president, risk management, and facilities management. He said a plan must be done now and will be changed as needed as circumstances change. D. Topliff said there are two task forces, one for students and one for faculty/staff. He said the task force for faculty/staff includes two people from Shannon and will include someone from the city. He said bringing 3,000-4,000 students back to campus will affect the community and input is needed from the city.
 - There was discussion of each item in the plan. Dates to bring back students are proposed but no dates yet for the return of employees to campus. The return of employees depends on logistics to get the campus ready and that information is forthcoming from facilities management. The University is waiting on guidance from NCAA regarding the return of athletes. D. Topliff said one size does not fit all and asked members to send him any ideas they have on these issues.
 - D. Topliff said the announcement regarding the fall semester format will go out tomorrow late afternoon. An email will be sent to students and the announcement will be posted on the website. He said the website will be updated as things progress.

Roundtable

John Wegner

- Said he sent out an email to members regarding NSO. He said NSO registration has already started.
- Students will start to be enrolled in classes next week. He said department chairs will be contacted. He asked class caps to reviewed and monitored.

John Klingemann

- Brought up the issue of departments individually holding virtual graduation. D. Topliff said that practice is approved and knows of at least two departments already planning such. D. Topliff said the University is putting together a graduate session. He said this afternoon he is taping a short message to be included and that members may contact Communications and Marketing to arrange to do so as well.

Adjournment