

**Academic Deans' Council**  
**October 12, 2021 - HHS Conference Room**  
**Minutes**

**Present:** C. Jones, J. Klingemann, L. Mayrand, N. Negovetich, M. Salisbury, P. Swets,  
A. Tiger, D. Topliff.

**Minutes:**

1. Topic: Minutes from October 5, 2021.  
Minutes approved.

**Announcements**

- The annual Ram Remembrance ceremony will be held tonight. The ceremony honors students, faculty, staff and alumni who have passed away in the previous academic year (Sept. 1, 2020 – Aug. 31, 2021). This year, we have approximately 150 names on our list. The provost encouraged everyone to attend if they are able.

**Old Business:**

2. Topic: COVID Information (D. Topliff)
  - COVID active cases: 7 student and zero faculty/staff cases. The numbers are continuing to go down.
  - Messaging campaigns will continue to go out to students and faculty/staff. Daily wellness reporting will continue and should be done even if not coming onto campus.
  - Voluntary vaccination reporting shows 40% of students, 70% of faculty, and 55% of staff are fully vaccinated. Booster shots are available six months after 2nd shot.
  - Governor Greg Abbott bans any COVID-19 vaccine mandates.
3. Topic: IE Distribution (D. Topliff)
  - D. Topliff said the IE funds transfers have been made by the Budget Office to each College. He will send the spreadsheet to members showing the calculations. The full 75% for fall was disbursed. Depending on final fund revenue the spring disbursement may be less than the 25% remainder.
4. Topic: Dean of Freshman College Update (D. Topliff)
  - D. Topliff said S. Clouse sent out an email to everyone yesterday regarding the three candidates to be interviewed on campus, October 19, 22, and 26. The open forum schedule was stated in the email. CVs for each candidate have been posted. It is expected an offer to be made by November and the new dean will come on board in January.
  - Tuesday candidates will meet with the deans at the regularly schedule Deans' Council meeting. A special Deans' meeting will be scheduled on the Friday morning to meet with the candidate. These meetings are face-to-face and will be held in the Health and Human Services Building because the conference room is larger and will accommodate social distancing.
5. Topic: Graduation Update (D. Topliff)
  - D. Topliff said the committee met last week. There will be three ceremonies over one day, 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, and 4:00 pm. Colleges were scheduled by the number of graduates to try to even out attendance. 10:00 am will be the Archer College of Health and Human Services and the College of Education; 1:00 pm will be the Norris-Vincent College of Business and the College of Science and Engineering; 4:00 pm will be the College of Arts and Humanities.

- Faculty are invited but will not be required to attend. Each College will be contacted for the number of faculty who will attend so the appropriate number of chairs are set up. Department Chairs will lead faculty who will line up in the hallway. Students will line up in the auxiliary gym.
- Gonfalon bearers, a mace bearer, and faculty marshals will be needed. The Color Guard has been arranged to present the flag of the United States of America. There will be a limited number of printed programs available.

6. Topic: Cybersecurity Program (D. Topliff)

- D. Topliff said there is a meeting today with the University of Texas-San Antonio (UTSA), City, and County representatives. The City of San Angelo and ASU were identified by UTSA as a model for cybersecurity across the nation. The Community Cyber Security Maturity Model (CCSMM) is a coordinated plan that provides communities or local jurisdictions with a framework to identify what is needed to build a cybersecurity program focused on “whole community” preparedness and response to address a cyber incident or attack. Essentially, the CCSMM is a guide that helps communities establish a cybersecurity baseline at the local level.
- S. Clouse is working with SAISD K-12 folks. One program is the CyberPatriot Education Program for K-12 students where they have the opportunity to compete as teams in a cybersecurity competition.

7. Topic: Budget (D. Topliff)

- D. Topliff said he expects to receive the final revenue projections soon.

**New Business:**

8. Topic: Marketable Skills for Graduate Programs (D. Topliff)

- D. Topliff said ASU has marketable skills posted on the website for undergraduate programs as required by SACS. Only two graduate programs have marketable skills posted. The statute is vague but it appears only undergraduate programs are required to post marketable skills and career opportunities. The provost asked members to look at what other Universities are doing and further discussion will be held at the next meeting.

**Roundtable**

A. Tiger

- Asked how many courses a student may enroll in for the winter mini-session. D. Topliff said a student may enroll in only one course unless there is a special case.

C. Jones

- Asked that a spreadsheet of seats available in sections for the winter mini-session and spring semester to be entered into the Acadeum Portal be sent to him. There was a brief discussion of the logistics of Acadeum.
- Acadeum students will not be entered into Banner but will be given credentials to access courses in Blackboard.
- M. Word is mapping out a strategy to identify and support students. She is presenting information to the Faculty Senate tomorrow. Office coordinators will be trained to enter courses into the Acadeum Portal.

**Adjournment**