

Academic Deans' Council
July 12, 2022 - HHS Conference Room
Minutes

Present: D. Bixler, S. Clouse, C. Jones, J. Klingemann, L. Mayrand, M. Salisbury,
A. Tiger, D. Topliff.

Minutes:

1. Topic: Minutes from May 3, 2022.
Minutes approved.

Announcements

- The Blue and Gold Dinner and Auction is August 5.
- The West Texas Legislative Summit is August 3-4.

Old Business:

2. Topic: Data Maturity Assessment (D. Topliff)
 - Working with Gartner to assess where we are in data management. Looking at process for changes to improve use. Available dashboards will be increased and updated daily.
3. Topic: Blackboard (Anthology) Engagement (D. Topliff)
 - Blackboard is changing their name to Anthology.
 - The Provost sent an email last week inviting members to engagement to be held July 26-27; the 26th is priority date for participation. More information will be sent out soon. Lunch will be provided.
 - A core team was established with representatives from across all campus areas. Looking to understand what we are doing with online education and what opportunities there are to increase offerings. Begin to develop a vision of where ASU wants to go. There will be another engagement meeting in September.
4. Topic: SACSCOC (D. Topliff)
 - There is an issue with Adobe PDFs that have live hyperlinks. SACS has been dinging institutions turning in PDFs with live links. This feature can be turned off. We are looking for about 20 students who have worked for ASU previously and have computer and PDF experience to help go through PDFs to remove the live links. IT and Communications and Marketing are working on a How-to. Students will be put in a computer lab to work. The Provost will send members information to recruit students for this task.
5. Topic: Budget (D. Topliff)
 - The budget has been finalized. Expect to see a flat budget. The budget includes market adjustments for staff positions due to raising the minimum wage rate to \$13 per hour.

New Business:

6. Topic: Commercial Aviation (D. Topliff)
 - An announcement and party will be held August 2.
7. Topic: Regional Security Operations Center (RSOC) (D. Topliff)
 - The first \$3 million was received last week from DIR and another \$2 million will be received in October. Another payment of \$2 million will come in after that for a total of \$7 million for the RSOC. The RSOC will be located in the Vincent Building.

- About 30 students will be needed to monitor the RSOC 24/7. The Director of the Kay Bailey Hutchison Center for Security Studies, K. Hoffmaster, begins his duties July 15. Part of his duties will be to oversee the RSOC. Results are due to the Legislature in December.

Roundtable

C. Jones

- Working with the Faculty Senate the Library Committee has been restructured with C. Jones as Chair. Committee members are made up of two faculty members from each College and two student representatives. The committee will meet monthly.
- The Library is currently open 78.5 hours a week. This will increase to 90 hours in the fall and increase again to 100 hours soon after. The Library will be open on Saturday and Sunday. The digitalization of the 2nd floor documents is in progress.
- The passport office is functional and is upgrading photos to meet passport requirements.
- Early reports show international student enrollment will be back up to around 270.
- M. Word position is in transition to an institutional position instead the grant.

M. Salisbury

- The last New Student Orientation (NSO) session is July 25. Monitor lower level and sophomore courses.
- Blackboard implementation of Data Foundation is next week.
- There is a push to accelerate student success. Focus on Early Alert early. Title IX had 1,600 cases in the spring and all were closed quickly.

D. Bixler

- Beginning a campaign to increase graduate enrollment. Please encourage graduate advisors to respond to inquiries as soon as possible.

T. Tasker

- The new Faculty Senate Officers began duties July 1. They are meeting tomorrow and will set goals for the year. A meeting schedule will be forthcoming.

S. Clouse

- The EdD site visit is Thursday.
- Beginning a Texas Two-Step Teacher Certification Program in partnership with Howard College. Students will earn a AAT online with Howard College and complete with ASU all junior and senior courses online for the BIS degree. So far 61 transcripts have been received for consideration for entry into the program.
- Just returned from Korea. Beginning a hybrid partnership in Spring 2023 with Gonju University. Students will stay in dorms at ASU.

J. Klingemann

- The Mayer Museum has some new dinosaurs on display.
- Transitioning West Texas Collections storage space in the Library to the Museum.
- Expanding RamTV and RamRadio.

A. Tiger

- The Testing Center has been authorized to offer Microsoft Office Excel tests.

Adjournment