

Academic Deans' Council
February 14, 2023 –Provost Conference Room
Minutes

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

Minutes

- 1) Topic: Minutes from February 7, 2023
Minutes approved

Announcements

- Dr. Topliff said two ASU alums wanted to tour Skyline Aviation. During the tour, Dr. Topliff discovered there is a physician stationed at Skyline, Dr. Jeremy Horak, D.O., performing the student medicals and he is an ASU graduate. He is currently performing class 2 medicals with approval pending to do class 1 medicals.
- 3) SACSCOC (D. Topliff)
- Dr. Topliff said there are no updates on the upcoming SACSCOC (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges) offsite review, but he wanted to remind the members to have it on their calendars and to be prepared to be called upon for a meeting.
- 4) Anthology Engagement (D. Topliff)
- Dr. Topliff said Anthology will be getting a revised draft of their recommendations to him for the Core Committee to review. There is no set date and time for this yet, but it will be sent out once we have it. No decision has been made at this point, but revisions to our Operating Policies will be needed. NC-SARA (the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements) will be more engaged.
- 5) Legislative Update (D. Topliff)
- Dr. Topliff said we are moving away from using DEI policies in our hiring scoring matrix. ASU received a letter from Gov. Greg Abbott's Chief of Staff stating that diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives in the hiring process have been deemed illegal. ASU will remain committed to diversity and inclusion.
- 6) Graduation (D. Topliff)
- Dr. Topliff proposed that five ceremonies be held again: two on Friday evening (one at 5:00pm and one at 7:30pm) and three on Saturday (10:00am, 1:00pm, and 4:00pm). The Deans agreed to follow the same format as last graduation.
- 7) Enrollment (D. Topliff)
- Dr. Topliff said that overall student-wise, at the twentieth-class day student enrollment was down around 4.7%. Dual credit is off about 284 which was expected due to changes

in the Carr Scholarship. Undergraduate total is off about 4.2%. Transfers are up a bit and international student enrollment is up.

8) Budget (D. Topliff)

- Dr. Topliff said there is nothing new to report on the budget, and now that he has the twentieth-class day enrollment numbers, he can review the IE (instructional enhancement) funds. Any requests using the Covid relief funds need to be completed by this June.

Roundtable

C. Jones

- Tentative meeting dates for “Skunkworks” Budget Transparency presentations are:
 - February 27 at 2:30pm to 4:00pm
 - March 2 at 2:00pm to 3:30pm
- Dave Erickson is retiring and there will be a celebration for him on Thursday.

D. Bixler

- Dr. Bixler had a good trip to East Texas and Arkansas and got contact info for about 60 graduate students.
- The library's first floor renovation is nearly complete.

M. Salisbury

- Today on the library’s third floor they will be working on the windows.

J. Klingemann

- Foreign Affairs speaker will be here tomorrow, February 15, speaking about the war on Ukraine.

L. Mayrand

- Karen Cody spoke on KLST.

Adjournment