Provost Council Meeting
Minutes
May 8, 2015

Meeting called by: Rosanne Stripling, Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs

Members include: Nancy Jordan, Glenda Ballard, Larry Davis, Donald Peterson, Bill McHenry, Liz Patterson, Teri Stover, Carl Greig, Callie Fortenberry, Peter Racheotes, and Jana Boatright

Members Absent: Guest: Recorder: Norma McCormick

I. Assessment & Accreditation update Dr. Jordan

Dr. Jordan reported that the Assessment Committee members are reviewing workspaces and sending feedback to departments via rubric and written comments. A copy of the rubric was provided. She encouraged the Deans to have faculty participate as reviewers for the Core Curriculum Assessment. Workshops are scheduled for May 19 & 20 which will have a stipend paid to those for completion. She stressed that reviewers need to be in the morning session for training. Course evaluations close May 10th. Thus far Blackboard had the highest response rate, but the program did have a couple of glitches that were worked out. Courseval most likely will be dissolved unless a greater response is received to keep it. The university is making great progress on the Compliance Certificate report, and plans are developing to have consultants review certain areas focusing on those areas that are most frequently sited. An informative workshop will be held today, May 8th, to discuss the QEP director position and applications will be accepted until May 15th.

II. Updates from Coordinating Board & BOR meetings Dr. Stripling

Dr. Stripling reported BOR/CAO updates:

- reorganization of Board with two new members
- NBC Learn contract will expire December 31, 2015
- Dr. Michael Young, Texas A&M University, presidency effective May 1st

Dr. Stripling discussed the proposed new degrees with Dr. Hallmark and received feedback from him which she shared with the Deans.

Dr. Stripling reported that the MA in English has made the low producing degree list for 2013-14. Steps will be addressed on how to move forward. Dr. Stripling mentioned that the draft Coordinating Board Strategic Plan (2016-2030) is posted. She presented a list of new degrees automatically approved by the Coordinating Board. The university is still awaiting approval of doctoral program in Education Leadership. The Core Curriculum has been uploaded to the Coordinating Board.
III. Review of Proposed Academic Affairs Decision-making process  Dr. Stripling

Dr. Stripling presented the proposed Academic Affairs Decision-making process and asked for feedback from the group. Several changes were made to the process. Document will be uploaded to website by June 1st.

IV. Preview of the 2015-16 Online Catalog  Jana Boatright

Jana provided a preview of the 2015-16 online Catalog. The new catalog is interactive with search features. She asks that all changes/corrections be submitted as soon as possible. Launch date is scheduled for July 1st.

V. Welcome Week Schedule & College Events  Carl Greig

Carl presented a draft handout of the Welcome Week events scheduled for fall 2015. He asked for feedback regarding the calendar or events. He presented the approved Honor Code logo to the group.

VI. Department Updates

Dr. Ballard mentioned that future office space needs should be presented to James.