

Academic Deans Council

Notes from February 28, 2017

Introductions

- Jennifer Hodges, Interim Director, Centralized Advising

1. Notes approved as distributed

2. New Business

- College of Education Reorganization, presented by Azadeh Osanloo, Debra Knapp, David Rutledge
- Proposal for Teacher Preparation, Administration, and Leadership; combines C&I, ELA, SPED
 - Goal: move from departments to schools, Seeking more collaboration
 - Process: College Council visited departments and held focus groups, started in January 2016.
 - College Council has representation from every department; also participated: Staff, alumni
 - Held town hall meetings, faculty voice was present in model
 - Details:
 - One department, 2 directors (UG, Grad)
 - 45 faculty members, excluding adjuncts
 - Looking to integrate K20 pipeline
 - P&T: Working on micro and macro ideas simultaneously
 - Because all policies align, this should not be too difficult
 - Faculty senate approval is possible this year
 - Not waiting for Team 6: re-organization is long overdue and better serves constituents.
- Request feedback: Send to Melody for forwarding

3. Old Business: Viewing a Wider World

- Motion made and seconded to approve proposal to waive one VWW course for students who have been deployed overseas.
- Discussion: this is consistent with how we treat Study Abroad
- Passed unanimously.

4. Policies

- **6.55 Academic Rules for Distance Education**
 - Dean Pontelli's comments are with Lisa Warren for later incorporation
 - Rule regarding fee allocations will be in a different document
 - Send comments to Susie and Greg [distance@nmsu.edu]
 - Concerns about notification regarding new programs; also, discussion about Part 2, D1 and D2.
 - Canvas is the system of record and allows verification that courses are not correspondence courses.
 - A Distance Education handbook will go along with this.
 - What if this deters faculty from teaching distance education courses?
 - FACT is supportive of this
 - The quality issue supports accreditation
 - Faculty Senate Leadership discussion: ones who teach online felt this was warranted
- **6.67 Experiential Learning**
 - Can we transcript something that is not part of classes?
 - Registrar's Office has come up with a solution for coding these experiences
 - Co-op experiences can meet this requirement
 - Online students will be included in this requirement
 - Comments go to Chris Brown
 - Will this be a general requirement or a degree requirement?
 - Department will have to certify these experiences
 - Honors has offered internships for students who are working in their areas that includes expectations, assignments, etc.
 - Transfer students will need to understand requirement: notify community colleges.

- Agreement with this ideologically: Implementation is the issue. Related question: Where do resources come from to manage this? Faculty time is a limited commodity.
- Provost question: What is the best way to implement this? What budget is required for this?
- This needs to be certified at the department level
- Assessment will have to be part of a defined teaching load
- **5.25 and 5.27 Faculty Compensation**
 - Faculty increases are currently considered as new money. Another option could be to fund this from the Provost's Faculty Pool.
 - Discussion: it is a challenge to recruit top candidates

5. Standing Reports

- **Enrollment Report, B. Montoya**
 - Aggie Experience on President's Day was full, Conroy Honors and HACU event (900 students)
 - El Paso area looks good for applications, in-state is up, but Doña Ana County is still a challenge
 - International student applications are down nationally
 - Graduate enrollment is steady; but there is a decrease in international students. Graduates from NMSU are up.
 - Descubre: Jorge Ramos is guardedly optimistic. We will host Descubre Dias in mid-April.
 - First two orientations are near capacity.
- **Faculty Senate, K. Hammond**
 - Questions on the report should be addressed to FS Chair
- **ADAC, K. Brook**
 - Program: New music degree was reviewed
 - Minors in computational, biomedical, and brewery engineering
- **HLC Update, Shelly Stovall**
 - Criterion 3 is next
 - Faculty Credentials had a unanimous do pass from committee
 - Shelly will distribute spreadsheets about faculty and credentials
 - Student complaints system is live and ready to go but not yet publicized
 - Dean of Students has a complaint system for non-academic complaints

6. Provost Update

- **Advising update**
 - Faculty Connections Subcommittee: Working on maintaining connections between faculty and students
 - Advisors will be associated in teams, organized by meta majors, more or less.
 - Graduate advisors are not moving to the centralized program.
 - Looking at Garcia Annex for location.
 - Counseling Center will move during Spring Break
- **General Education Update**
- **Strategic Planning update**
- **Christmore nominations, Westhafer coming soon**

7. Updates

- 100% participation in assessment from colleges
- Honors College
- New Mexico Leadership Institute event yesterday with Honors College
- Miriam Chaiken traveling to Arizona for recruitment tomorrow
- Conroy Scholarship group gets bigger every year
- Peace Corp Program was approved
- Chancellor's survey on councils closes Monday
- Library cafe was named Zuhl Fuel
- Early grade submission delayed 24 hours.

Attendees: D. Howard, D. Wagner, D. Smith, K. Brook, M. Chaiken, C. Menking, J. Hoffman, J. Bosland, S. Stovall, L. Reyes, E. Titus, B. Pollack, L. Reddi, B. Montoya, D. Pope-Davis, K. Hammond, G. Fant, R. Flores, L. Vazquez, K. Boberg, mmm: Guests: J. Hodges, D. Rutledge, A. Osanloo, D. Knapp, S. Bussmann, N. Kellner\