Academic Deans Council
Notes from May 24, 2018

1. Introductions and farewells
   - This is the last meeting for: Chris Brown, Don Pope-Davis

2. Minutes: Minutes approved as distributed

4. Old Business
   - Bachelor of Applied Studies, Beth Pollack
     o Requesting a reduction to 36 from 48 credits
     o Students come in with few general education credits and end up with huge credit totals because they need the rest of GE credits
     o Our peers have degrees with lower upper division requirements
     o Plan developed in collaboration with Monica Torres
     o **Motion seconded, approved**
   - Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity, Enrico Pontelli
     o Cybersecurity: Comprehensive, many options for students, we have a great outlet for these graduates in the national labs
     o No additional resources are needed except for one course that needs to be developed. Two faculty lines will contribute to this program. Dennis Geiver will also contribute
     o Interdisciplinary. Director will be rotated among three colleges
     o Program will have a steering committee
     o **Moved, seconded, approved.**
   - BA in Music, Lon Chaffin
     o Two professional degrees both require ~129 credits
     o High number of hours scares off students who want to double major
     o This gives an option for students who don’t want to major in music or be a performer
     o Degree fits within accrediting parameters and could be accredited within 3–5 years. No additional courses needed, but will add an independent capstone course (comparable to senior recital).
     o No additional resources needed
     o **Moved, seconded, approved**

5. Standing Reports
   - Enrollment
     o AWOs have begun: Working to ensure a smooth experience. Family members and students have given good feedback.
     o 1888 Freshman signed up for AWO as of today!
     o Looking at students who have signed up for one part of NMSU but not all to get them signed up for remainders
     o Continuing students: numbers are better than in many recent years
   - Faculty Senate
     o Final meeting was very busy; see report
   - ADAC and Aggie Pathway
     o No report
   - Accreditation
     o HLC: there is a policy about truth in advertising, especially regarding outcomes and placement data
     o Next self-study due in 4 years — Fall 2021

Continuing Dean Discussion: Summer revenue
• Seeking to simplify process
• Cost will be reimbursed for 9-month or temp faculty
• Minimum enrollment: 10 for grad courses; 15 for UG
• Can distribute 50% or more if possible
• Central Administration will pay for classes if they break even; colleges can pay for sections with low enrollment
• Grad student enrollment — enrollment requirement could be a problem for accreditation requirements (Clinical sections)
• Should programs have another incentive program to cover costs of summer instruction?
• Funding will be distributed after summer session completed
• Need details — Deans want to continue conversation around summer revenue

Position management
• Eliminated positions were part of the freeze. These were taken off books for record keeping. Deans can ask for frozen positions back but will need to provide budget.
• Distributed to colleges:
  o Table 1: lines that came open over the year
  o Table 2: lines that were acted on but not yet filled
  o Table 3: eliminated positions
• Pool is small because:
  o $900,000 deficit: Faculty contributing 60% (can discuss this percent with Andy)
  o Could be moderated by increase in enrollment
• Comp increases from state only includes 54% of what is needed to cover the increase
• Other new sources: State increase, tuition increase
• Colleges will depend on enrollment management funds
• College support a simplified process for faculty requests
• Can we have ongoing searches in anticipation of positions opening up?
• Can resources just be distributed to colleges?
  o Deans can provide spreadsheet with priorities — one sentence priorities
• Supplemental pay — can we hire more faculty under supplemental pay?
• Can consider closing current searches and redirecting resources in another direction

Attendees: Bernadette Montoya, Lakshmi Reddi, Luis Vazquez, Don Pope-Davis, Enrico Pontelli, Jennifer Hodges, Miriam Chaiken, Becky Corran, Natalie Goldberg, Andy Burke, Kevin Boberg, Shelly Stovall, Rod McSherry, Donna Wagner, Beth Titus, Loui Reyes, Jim Murphy, Greg Fant, mmm, Dan Hpward

Guests: Beth Pollack, Lon Chaffin