Natural Sciences Chairs Council

February 8, 2017

1:00pm – 3:00pm, BI-104

In Attendance: D. Maynard, R. Smith, P. Williams, C. Stanton, B. Haddock, B. Stanley, D. Turner, D. Tamalis, M. Chao, P. Dixon, S. McGill, T. Burch, L. Lewis.

1. Approval of minutes for January 25, 2017 approved as distributed.
2. Informational Items:
   1. Announcements by chairs: No announcements
   2. Announcements from administration: No announcements
3. Discussion Items:
   1. Campus Resource Tour (Alysson Satterlund). Dr. Satterlund shared the various resources that are available for students. Some of the resources she discussed were as follows:
4. CARE Team – available 24/7 365 days a year. The CARE Team has a one-hour response time
5. A case management specialist
6. A threat assessment team
7. A behavioral specialist is available
8. Up to two nights of on campus housing can be provided for emergencies.

She then handed out a referral guide for staff and faculty, and answered questions from the chairs.

* 1. Scheduling update (Peter Williams)
     + - Spring 2017: Priority registration begins February 13, 2017.
       - Summer 2017: Priority registration begins on May 8.
       - Fall 2017: Schedule build begins on February 27 and ends on March 30.
       - The temporary classrooms TC-013-017 will be dismantled, but there will be three new temporary classrooms with 60 capacity set up in between Jack Brown Hall and College of Education buildings. We will have access to use CE-100 and CE-101 (38 capacity), CE-103 (34 capacity) and CE-112 (44 capacity).

A brief discussion followed.

* 1. Strategic Plan Goals I and II (Dave Maynard)
     + - Dr. Maynard handed out a draft of the strategic plan, goals 1 and 2. He then read each section of goal 1 and the chairs discussed edits and revisions for each section. Goal 2 was tabled for the next meeting
  2. Graduation Initiative 2025 (Dave Maynard) – Dr. Maynard did a slideshow presentation on the graduation initiative. The slideshow had data of the current graduation rates as well as targets for 2025. The goal of the committee is to remove barriers for students who are trying to graduate. Dr. Maynard also shared slides that showed the core strategies and activities of the committee.
  3. Website re-design – (Dave Maynard) Tabled
  4. Student Success Team – Tabled for next meeting, however Dr. Williams gave an update that the dean has sent out a request for faculty participation on the Student Success Team and has received several responses from interested faculty. The chairs should think about how the team could best serve the departments and what data the team might collect and disseminate.

1. Other: