Chairs Meeting Minutes

September 23, 2014

Meeting convened at: 2:18

Present: James H. McDonald, David Admire, Matt Barton, Kyle Bishop, Art Challis, Pat Keehley, Elise Leahy, Britt Mace, Mark Miller, Kristine Frost, Administrative Assistant

1. Deans’ Council—
   a. State Appropriated budgets now roll forward to the next fiscal year.
   b. How do we do more to employ students? These jobs should be career related or grad school. The implication is that there is money available. Chairs should send info to Kristine so we can be first in line.
   c. Senator Lee needs data on Pell Grants. Pell Grant recipients are retained better than non-Pell Grant recipients.
   d. LRT proposals—when to return and when to hold—Evaluation materials are held back on tenure and promotion cases. Third year review and post-tenure are returned.
   e. James Sage—opt out on experimental classes—will send out information to chairs. Does include on-line and graduate classes
   f. SUU challenging class ranking—HSS in representative by England and French 1010, Philosophy, History—worst classes Math 1010 and Biology 1600—need more support. History 1100 & 1500 are problem spots. Give us some additional support especially for on-line classes. Mark Atkinson will help with on-line classes.
   g. Essentials of On-line Course Design—Class that Mark Atkinson is offering. If faculty teaching on-line would like more instruction, encourage them to take class. Get a $25.00 gift card to the Bookstore on completion. Send Jen Hunter an e-mail—course is offered on line.
   h. Faculty Senate—Focus on erosion of benefits especially traditional plan. Most would like to go back to traditional plan. There is a consortium in Utah who work through Pacific Health Care.
   i. Complaint about administrative lock-downs
   j. 6.1 appendix I
   k. Festival of Excellence—Session categories will be clustered. Completed projects being oral presentations. Student projects that aren’t completed can be poster session.
   l. Spark sell-study—nothing Julia will start leveraging information
   m. Swivel—hand held device, keys with unit and you can do live screen capture. You can upload to Caltura. Library is buying some and they can be checked out.
   n. Resubmit program fees—October 17th is deadline

2. New Faculty Release Time—after this year, HSS won’t be able to give new faculty release time. We won’t be offering that as a benefit during this round of hiring.

3. Other—Study Abroad Fair, September 24, 2014—Youth Link—study abroad/immersion for area they live in. Specialize in potable water, medical and teacher training and stove project. They try to improve basic infrastructure. This is a year-long process and then they get students into different countries.

4. Enrollment is about even.
Adjourned at: 2:58