Chairs' Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2011

In attendance: Dean McDonald, Curtis Bostick, Steve Barney, Elise Leahy, Art Challis, Bryce Christensen, Michael Stathis, Rudia Heddings

Began with information items: 1) Remember Catalog Revision Review, Monday, February 14th

- 2) Board of Trustees approved Philosophy BS, Shakespeare Minor, Sustainability Minor, Museum Certification, and Shakespeare Center.
- 3) Watch for Senate Bill 97: Mission Based Funding Bill
- 4) Distributed sample of Course Goals for the Measurement of Core Abilities.

1. Deans' Council

The President's Council supports all 2nd tier funding to go to Academic Roadmap which translates to salary equity for faculty.

New academic integrity policy discussed, seeking more unified/standardized policy. Our college has a policy with levels of separation, e.g., College committee vs. department committee.

2. IDEA-vote

Three departments have voted on IDEA—Foreign Lang., English, Political Science and Criminal Justice. Steve Barney reported that Psychology has approved IDEA over the older online process with a unanimous approval. Some discussion as to how to phrase the voting question. Waiting for other Department IDEA votes.

3. IIC Internships

Intergovernmental Internship Cooperative - from Regional Services. Re: Public Lands. The dean emphasized that internships must have significant and/or rigorous academic component.

4. IDEA short form

In light of some student feedback regarding the excessive length of time to do evaluations, adopting the IDEA short form was discussed. Dean still thinks that more data is better. Further discussion later.

5. Learning Community

These academic communities were a hot topic a year or so ago, but implementation has lagged behind. Foreign Language is in its 3rd year of dorm living. Honors have been moving along for 10 years. Megen and Chris Ralphs are the contact persons to see.

6. Reminders

Proposed new HSS headquarters. Current arrangements have space issues. Provost considering 2nd floor of Old Main for ½ space used for HSS Dean's Office and ½ space used for Dean of Education. Timetable - Summer or possibly this Spring break. Provost knows of HSS space problem.

New Hires: 2 in Communications, Psychology starting search next week, English pending, CJ search upcoming-Brad Reyns leaving.

7. Other

Michael Stathis made a motion to adjourn, Bryce Christensen seconded motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned 3:45 pm.