

Deans' Council

Minutes: Tuesday, October 19, 2010

1:00 – 2:30 pm

President's Conference Room

Montana Hall

Joseph Fedock
Susan Agre-Kippenhan
Larry Baker
Jeff Jacobsen

Marvin Lansverk
Paula Lutz
Robert Marley
Tom McCoy

Helen Melland
Tamara Miller
Dan Moshavi
Allen Yarnell

I. Call to order

II. Approval of Minutes of September 28, 2010, Meeting

Minutes approved as submitted.

III. Information/Announcements

IV. Topics for Discussion:

A. Ad Astra Presentation – Jo Packham/Bonnie Ashley

This classroom scheduling software was initially purchased in 2006. The cost to implement would be \$62,000 to \$85,000. Need to solicit academic viewpoint. The consensus view of the Deans' Council is the priority for purchasing should be on Degree Works; only subsequent to that would be Platinum Analytics and Scheduling Optimizer.

B. Writing Option – Linda Karell

There are currently two options within the BA in English: Literature and Teaching. The proposed new option – Writing – would focus on writing for the workforce. The Deans' Council supports this proposal.

C. Faculty Senate Review of FAR Position Description – Marvin Lansverk

The edited job description and guidelines for selection were reviewed. Faculty Senate will collect applications and select a small pool to go to the President for hire. Applicants will be restricted to tenured faculty members or administrative faculty. The revised document was approved unanimously.

D. Faculty Senate Leadership Compensation

Discussion tabled

E. Division of Graduate Education Name Change – Carl Fox

Requested change from Division of Graduate Education to Graduate School. Rationale for request includes: 1. Competiveness, 2. Home for interdisciplinary programs, 3. Continuity (many other universities have graduate schools). Request for name change was unanimously supported.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 23, 2010, 1:00 – 2:30 pm (President’s Conference Room)