Executive Council Meeting

April 7, 2014

Meeting convened at 9:00 am.

15 members in attendance:
Abernathy (for Taylor), Barone, Burnham, Cannon, Coll, Crowther, D’Andrea, Harrison, Haskins, Horvath, Morton, Sedgwick, Thornton, Waugh

Also in attendance:
Roxanne Courtney
Mary Merry

1. Information Items
   a. Review Minutes
      Minutes were reviewed and approved with no corrections.

   b. FYI-NSHE President, Provost Priorities/Reports
      Emphasis on Math & Science is really important (Pre K-12)
      120-hr ceiling
      Performance funding
      How are enrollments
      Retention/graduation rates
      Workforce contributions
      NVFit – Each college has its own name -- COE is “We are Fit for Learning”--24 students will be selected in May (Horvath)
      Ken passed around a NV Business article and Mary will email to everyone as a pdf file

   c. COE e-newsletter
      Veronica will be sending out an email asking everyone on this committee to provide one or two “good stories” about faculty, students, whatever…to possibly be included in our COE e-newsletter that will be sent out externally (mainly to donors and prospective donors) – not sure how often, maybe twice a year to start

   d. Current news
      Veronica mentioned the Excellence in Education awards that she is involved with along with Bridget and the PR committee. She is wondering if the Silver State Schools award has been overlooked. No one was sure if this is the same as another award we are giving out but maybe called something else?? Also we are still in need of a candidate for the Ed Dodson Ed Leadership award.
2. Building Agenda for our EC meetings and all Faculty/Staff meetings

   a. Faculty/Staff Q&A meeting
      Next meeting is set for Tuesday, May 5 at 4:00 in WRB4118. Tentative agenda items are:
      Curriculum
      Doc program
      Research/grants
      Org flow
      Data (NCATE/CAEP)

3. Prioritizing Current issues for consensus building

   a. Graduate Faculty Status
      Diane Barone brought up some questions about Grad Faculty status II:
      Who is in charge – Ken said it will be the Directors (and Assoc Dean handles appeals)
      When does it start - Ken said he does not believe it needs to be sent to everyone for a vote – instead members of the committee should talk with “their people” and see what the concerns are.
      David Crowther brought up that it should be handled with faculty evaluations

   b. Committee issues
      Ken and Mary passed around latest matrix for everyone to look at. There was some discussion on whether we need all the committees we have. Do all committees need representation from all areas (Crowther)? Ken said that working groups should fall under committees and are more involved with temporary work assignments.

   c. GA’s – guided principles
      Ken and Mary passed around two handouts to everyone -- one with the names listed alphabetically (with Doc and Masters students being separated) and another by area of emphasis (also separated by Doc students and Masters students). It was also noted that we have officially stopped accepting applications since we now have more applicants than positions. There are also some “college-wide GA’s – not sure how they should play into the calculation of who gets how many.
d. University approval for

i. COE Eval Manual
   Not discussed.

ii. COE Bylaws
   Sherry Waugh stated that they met with UNR’s Senate faculty and reiterated that the bylaws need to be kept general in nature.

4. Curricular matters

The “family course” state requirement for licensure kicks in when?? Ken said that Diana Durish said the deadline is August but they may extend to December or make some provision for current graduates. Nancy Horvath expressed concern for current students who would not have the time or the money to take another class, even if it was offered online.

5. NCATE/CAEP reports update

Tom working on several reports…

a. TECC – structure and where does everyone go being worked on: Assessment committee and IETP will probably move into this committee
b. EBI report mid-level stuff going out to AA’s from Tom
c. Advanced Programs Data Collection
d. NCATE review – Roger Stewart will be here on April 28 – mock session

6. Search updates

Literacy – Heriberto has agreed to join us – very happy he has accepted our offer. Sec Ed – candidate will be letting us know today. Also, new candidate to be split with Engineering – we will get 40%.

7. Committee reports – updates

Office of Field Experiences- Mary Sedgwick reported that UNR’s Career Fair is coming up on April 25 from 9:00-2:00 – surveys will be going out and this will aid us immensely in our data gathering

TECC – Dave Crowther said that the STEM after school program has gotten funded and Roxanna Courtney reported that the Lemelson Cohort apps are done

8. Program, Center updates

Maureen Morton reported that COE graduation “party” will not be held in the morning but will be held after graduation in front of the WRB building like last year (was well attended).
9. Other
Veronica reminded everyone that her and Ken would be traveling to Las Vegas for the Foundation’s recruitment event April 24 & 25.

Meeting adjourned 11:02am. Next meeting – April 21 – 9:00-11:00