

Academic Advising Committee Minutes
Wednesday, April 11, 2012
Trails Room, Memorial Union

*Dr. Kathleen Arano
Dr. Krisztina Bencze
*Ms. Joleen Briggs
*Ms. Nikki Brown
*Ms. Tricia Cline
Ms. Maggie Denning

Ms. Rachel Dolechek
Ms. Cindy Elliott
*Dr. Amy Finch
Ms. Nanette Fitzhugh
*Ms. Judy Getty
*Ms. Trisha Goetz (s)

*Dr. Carla Hattan
Ms. Debbie Staab
*Mr. Kim Stewart
Mr. Jon Tholstrup

Dr. Patricia Griffin, Chair

*Not in attendance

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM by Dr. Patricia Griffin.

Approval of Minutes from February Meeting

Ms. Debbie Staab moved to approve the February minutes; Ms. Maggie Denning seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Majors and Graduate Programs Fair

Patti reported the Academic Advising and Career Exploration office staff is working with Admissions staff in effort to combine the Majors and Graduate Programs Fair with another event, possibly the Research Fair. A total of 189 students, prospective students and community members attended the Fair. In 2012, 42 attended and in 2011, 258 attended. Dr. Patricia Griffin presented the following survey percentages of why people attended the Fair: 40.43% Major inquiries; 25.27% Minor inquiries; 15.52% Certificate inquiries; 13.36% Grad Program inquiries; 5.42% Research Opportunity inquires Residence Hall student attendance, 37.64% yes, 62.36% no. One RA won a prize for bringing the most students. Survey results contained an overwhelming response to having departments and faculty all in one place at one time. 107 faculty members filled out evaluations of the Fair. The time for most traffic at the Fair was between 11:30 AM -12:30 PM with 65 people total.

Advising Notes Update

Dr. Patricia Griffin updated the committee with the processes of the advising notes system. Dr. Patricia Griffin met with Travis Taggart and discussed a variety of additions/changes for the system, most beneficial to faculty. Training sessions may be set for departments. Travis is working on bringing the system to the advising side. The programming from an outside company will have to be re-done. Jackie Ruder is making offers to two companies to complete programming.

FHSU Student Evaluation of Advising Survey 2004-2012

Handout

Chairs have had faculty evaluations for two weeks. The population was measured on 20th day of last fall. Patti reported population percentages based on campus and virtual population, gender, age and class: OC population 36.5%-46.1% participated; VC population 63.5%-53.9% participated; GENDER female-797 65.3%, male-424 34.7%; AGE 18-25 53.2%, over 25 46.8%; CLASS FR 18.6%, SO 16.4%, JR 16.6%, SR 27.1%, SU .001%, SP 3.6%, SG .013%, GR 15.3%. Demographic information was tied to student accounts. Improvements are shown looking at the differences between 'Mean 2011' and 'Mean 2012' on the handout. We doubled the amount of responses from last year. Advisors are encouraged to ask students to complete the survey. The survey captures students on the 20th day each year.

Tiger Pre-Enrollment Dates

Freshmen: April 21, April 28, April 30 (Afternoon) and June 4
Transfer: April 23, April 24, June 11 and June 12

An email will be sent from Shana's office regarding freshman and transfer pre-enrollment dates. After May 1st, students can have an individual appointment.

New Business

Workshop: 'Your GPS for Major Exploration' – May 31

The Academic Advising and Career Exploration Center is hosting a workshop, 'Your GPS for Major Exploration' on May, 31, 2012. The workshop is geared to high school sophomores, juniors and seniors wanting to explore career and major choices. This is a one-day workshop covering a variety of career material. Students will leave with a portfolio of their individual strengths and will have access to revisit inventories.

Admissions office staff will visit the workshop to talk with students about a campus visit and/or an option for a campus tour at the end of the workshop. The workshop is open to high schools in Ellis County and surrounding counties. Invites will go out next week.

Other

Virtual Majors Fair

The Academic Advising and Career Exploration Center is looking to include virtual students for introducing FHSU majors and graduate programs.

Professional Advisors

Currently, only three more positions are being hired. Formalized training will be presented to new Professional Advisors.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM by Patricia Griffin.