

MINUTES
Provost's Council
February 12, 2013

The Provost's Council met on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. in the President's Conference Room, Sheridan Hall 306.

Members present: Jeff Briggs, Paul Faber, Dennis King, Chris Crawford, Rob Scott, Tim Crowley, Mary Meier for Cindy Elliott, Greg Weisenborn for Mark Bannister and Larry Gould, John Ross

Guests: Brad Goebel, Todd Powell, Kathleen Dougherty

The meeting was called to order by the Provost.

1. Discussion Items

a) Possible Items for AAUP-FHSU Negotiations

Action: Revise the Lecturer section of the AAUP-FHSU MOA. Lecturers need to be appointed not promoted. The Provost will deny the promotion files for these two faculty. We need to remove "promotion" and change to "appointed" but keep the rest of the criteria.

Post-tenure policy issue: we will make it clear in the charge this is an AAUP-FHSU negotiation issue.

What to do with first-year tenure track faculty. Dr. Crawford is suggesting bringing it up at negotiations, kick it around and come up with a draft for discussion. It was suggested changing the calendar for the entire cycle. The deans were asked to meet and make a recommendation to the Council.

Program Discontinuance policy from AAUP for discussion. The Council was not in favor of bringing this forward for negotiations.

The new affordable care act indicates we must provide health insurance for 7-12 adjuncts who qualify for this. The state and Regents have put together a task force which will decide their position on this and if each agency is allowed to make those decisions, we need to create a policy to address this issue.

b) Student Government Association Virtual College Advisory Committee

Action: The VC advisory committee has met with SGA about this initiative. This is an interim step to full implementation of Virtual College students becoming part of SGA. How should we move forward with nominations of VC students? It was suggested asking students to indicate their willingness to participate in the advisory committee and the chairs/deans would be the screening instrument for the final decision based on the applications. It was also suggested checking with the SEAC advisories for input on students. Kathleen was asked to begin creating an application.

c) The Existence of Codes and Conduct for Undergraduate Teaching in Teaching-Oriented Four-Year Colleges and Universities

Action: Tabled.

d) State Leaders Ready to Expand Online Higher Education in 2013

Action: Tabled.

e) Definition of Academic Ranks Feedback from January 8 Agenda

Action: Tabled.

f) Look at KPI's for Performance Agreement

Action: Tabled.

g) Changing Course: Ten Years of Tracking Online Education in the United States

Action: Tabled.

h) The Loyola Experience

Action: Tabled.

i) Post Task Force

Action: Tabled.

2. Informational Items

a) Using the Data You Have: Learning Analytics to Increase Student Success

Action: Informational Item.

b) The Top Four Distance Learning Regulatory Issues for 2013

Action: Informational Item.

c) International Recruitment Strategies

Action: Informational Item.

New Business

Complete College Kansas proposal – This is a plan where the State of Kansas would search for students who have not completed their degree or completed their associate's degree and attempt to enroll them in a state institution. The proposal is for FHSU to be the facilitator of the program. Some states have already designated an institution to look for students who are close to completing a degree or interested in completing a four-year degree. The President is not really interested in remedial instruction but feels he can get some money from the Legislature. It is on the SCOCAO agenda and Dr. Hammond wants to know if we want to pursue this. If we do, he will look for some money to fund this initiative.

Action: The decision was to tell the President not to pursue it at the Regents level but to look for money to fund our own proposal. Dennis will put together a summary page to give to the President to use with his pursue of funding by Friday.

Course development –the Provost needs the departments to submit their quality criteria and CTELT to finish the electronic syllabus so he can complete his review of the course development process by April 1. All departments were asked to submit 8-10 criteria and standards that can be used as a departmental review of a new course. The criteria/standards need to be different from the technical quality standards. He is looking for practical criteria to evaluate the courses.

Dr. Gould introduced Josie Liu as the Academic Affairs Marketing Specialist to the Council.

B. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

c: Dr. Edward Hammond
Dr. Tisa Mason
Mr. Larry Getty
Dr. Joey Linn
Dr. Emily Breit
Mr. Kyle Calvin
Provost's Council Administrative Assistants