

DEWAR COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
(8.30.2018)

Attendance: Dean Oliver, Barbara Radcliffe, Sonya Sanderson, Corine Myers-Jennings, Don Leech, Kate Warner, Leon Pate, Keith Waugh, Shirley Andrews, Renee Whitmer, Natalie Kuhlmann, Diane Holliman, Karen Ruben, Alma Young, Darrell Moore

Meeting called to order by Dean Oliver at 9:00.

Meeting Process Changes: The Dean opened the meeting by mentioning the new structure of the committee (who should attend the meetings) is still being discussed.

VSU Center for South Georgia Regional Impact: Darrell Moore, Executive Director, is the new VSU Center for South Georgia Regional Impact. He is working to establish a network with VSU. He is networking within the region to identify the needs of the community to bring back to VSU to seek potential solutions (i.e. internships, Graduate Assistants, research at the local level, etc.). He would like to have a point person at VSU. A possible resource team that consist of one or two point people within each college. His goal is to have 3-5 projects a year. Dr. Warner, Dr. Myers-Jennings and Dr. Andrews suggested that he visit our three clinics (Speech, Marriage and Family Therapy and the Sullivan Literacy Center) on campus. Natalie has offered to work on the Advisory Council to assist with finding out what the community wants from VSU. Darrell can be contacted at darrellmoore@valdosta.edu.

Dean Oliver will have everyone to submit their suggestions and a list will be compiled to submit to Darrell. Dean Oliver suggested Dr. Waugh to compile the list.

Approval of Minutes:

Cross Disciplinary Experiences: The Strategic Plan discusses the cross disciplinary experiences. The Provost will ask about cross disciplinary experiences. Dean Oliver will follow up with an email asking everyone to talk with their faculty about ideas

Nexus Degree Proposals: Dean Oliver is encouraging everyone to go back and review the information pertaining to this.

- Short pathway teaching ideas that can lead to Nexus
- Ideas for Nexus degree; possible pay compensation

Dean Oliver will follow up within the next week or so.

High Impact Practices: This is a part of our strategic plan and the university's plan. The faculty was asked to identify or justify the things they consider as high impact practices. If something isn't included on the list, then ask the faculty to write it up. The provost is continuously asking about this.

Retention: This should be our number one focus.

USG Textbook Policy (self-published/local copier): There are no royalties for self-published books. There will be a review committee to determine the difference.

People Admin ends Spring-(March): The search process is changing. People Admin is going away in March. All open searches will need to be closed by March. The new system is Careers.

Undergraduate Research- Jan Drake & Lavonna Lovern: There will be a conference in April. This is a way for our undergraduate students to participate.

SPSS vs STRAYTA: It was a unanimous vote by the committee for SPSS.

Faculty Consulting: There is a change in policy with the consulting. The Consulting Form will be changing too. Be sure to make faculty aware of these changes that are coming from the UG System.

Budget Reductions 2020: Dean Oliver informed the committee that the deans were asked last week what things they would cut from their budget. We have to be mindful of things that can be cut that won't impact our people.

Dean Oliver opened the floor to discuss ideas for items that can be cut.

- Travel-no off campus & supervision for 1 year
- Reduce Operating Budget
- Hold off on facility upgrades for 1 year
- Chip in end of year funds

Dean Oliver is planning to offer to the provost 20 %. Dean Oliver will send an email with his talking points. Everyone has been asked to review their budget and provide a dollar amount that they can give up.

Faculty Positions: This will be discussed next week. At this time, it hasn't been said that there is going to be a hiring freeze.

Recruitment Fairs & Faculty Involvement: It was suggested that we have a call center. Dean Oliver will suggest this idea at the next Dean's Meeting. The Student Success Center has suggested faculty having more contact with students.

An ice cream social for students was suggested and agreed on by the committee. It was suggested that the Advising Center contact the students using the student listserve to notify them of the social.

Committee Structure: Dr. Warner distributed a draft of preliminary ideas. Her draft states that taskforces should have a specific time-limited charge. There will be a need to have a junior and senior person from each department.

There are minor changes (service) that need to be made to the P&T before we can implement the new process. Faculty have to have an opportunity to view the information. Tracy will send out an email to Dean Oliver and the P&T Committee to discuss the changes. Dean Oliver will try to get this scheduled for next week. Dean Oliver will be sending an email to Michael Savoy and the provost explaining that the committees haven't met to address the meaningful services throughout the university. All suggestions need to be sent to Dr. Leech.

Other: We need to establish centers for this college.

- Rural Education-the agreement with the Professional Development School should be our center
- Sign Language-Regional School for the deaf
- Social Work and Marriage & Family Therapy – Center for family services
- Committee for grant writing (taskforce)- work with faculty to assist with grant writing (Dr. Monetti and Dr. Gerber are a both good resources to assist with writing grants.)

Teacher Appreciation will take place on October 1st. The department will sponsor eight people to attend the event. Dean Oliver will send an email with the information. The committee would like to extend the invite to teachers that have done exceptional work.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Nolley