

ACADEMIC PLANNING COUNCIL

September 25, 2017

3:00 p.m. Altgeld 315

Minutes

Present: Abdel-Motaleb, Chitwood, Cripe, Daniel, Douglass, Falkoff, Gordon, House, Hunt, Isabel, Mini, Mogren, Reynolds, Subramony, Torres, Wilkins, and Winkler.

Meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m.

1. Announcements

- No announcements

2. Approval of minutes

- First motion made by Rebecca Hunt
- Second motion made by Judith Chitwood
- Motion Approved

3. Discussion of subcommittee report:

- Subcommittee A: D.P.T.

Judith Chitwood gave an overview of the subcommittee report

- High demand for the D.P.T. program.
- They need more faculty, feel overworked.
- Do not want to grow anymore, they feel like they are at their maximum capacity.
- They do not want to try to offer the program online because when they transitioned from the Masters to Doctorate they tried online and it did not work.
- The program is working well but they need more funding.
 - The report losing faculty to other institutions because they can pay better.
 - It is a in high demand program, but they cannot raise their numbers, due to lack of faculty.
- The idea of a sponsor has its pros and cons:
 - Pros: if you have high quality and demand, then sponsors keep giving.
 - Cons: if you can't get any sponsors interested.
- Mogren brought up a point regarding APC and how we should be focused on making sure each department is doing their job academically and providing what they can with the resources they have, rather than focusing on the finances and fundraising for the program.
 - Falkoff- the lack of funding does not allow faculty to be as efficient as they could be.
 - How do we ensure we can attract graduate students?
 - Ensure academic quality
 - Abdel-Motaleb- we should measure standards based off the program.

- For example, scholarship for engineering isn't going to be measured by writing a book.
 - Douglass- what we are doing is helping the program face the issues they are having.
 - For example, lack of faculty is attributed to lower salaries.
- Subcommittee B: B.S. in Athletic Training

Marc Falkoff gave an overview of the subcommittee report

 - It is a Bachelors program but the disciplinary accreditation agency is requiring it to transform into a graduate program.
 - The current staffing for the program is inadequate.
 - When the program turns into a graduate program, it'll take more time away from the faculty.
 - They want to work on retention
 - A problem for the program is that in the third year of study, students have difficulty passing Human Anatomy. That problem should disappear once the program moves to granting the M.S. instead of B.S.
 - The program is on probation because their accreditor's requirement for the annual first-time taker's pass rate for Board of Certification exam is 70% or higher.
 - Current pass rate is 69%.
 - However, they have a plan to address this problem.
 - The program has submitted a detailed action plan to Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE).
 - Recommendations
 - Continue to lobby for more TT faculty, since there are currently only two.
 - They were put in category 3, reduce, when they went through Program Prioritization.
 - Do they have program leadership?
 - They do have a program director, Kelly Potteiger.
 - Is there anyone in the Kinesiology program that can teach in the athletic training program?
 - Several of them must be clinically licensed so that creates an issue to be able to borrow faculty.
 - What is the timeline for transitioning from the bachelors to the master's program?
 - Accreditor expects them to transition by Fall 2021.
 - Douglass asked for clarification on the last recommendation: consider whether the program would benefit from an examination of the time faculty spends across each of its primary activities (scholarship, teaching and service) so as to maximize its overall effectiveness.
 - Cripe mentioned how when he noticed that faculty were publishing 6 or so publications when the standard is 1 or 2. Is the faculty's time being used efficiently and effectively?
 - Reynolds mentioned how recent data shows that the faculty members are using their time efficiently and effectively.

4. Other Business

- No other business

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mickey Rodriguez and Crystal Doyle