Deans Meeting

Monday, July, 1st, 2019

Sanford Hall Conference Room

Attending: D. Jenks, Drake, Overfield, Hoff, Smallwood, McIntyre, Clay, Donohoe, Stanfield, Gagnon, Schuessler, Adams

- **Announcements and Sharing (SI:4) –**
  - Welcome to Dr. Amber Smallwood.
  - The Provost townhalls this year will focus on mental health for faculty/staff and students. They will provide information to students about mental health services that are available.
  - Dr. Drake will work on some of Juanita’s (Hicks, former VP of HR) ideas about diversifying faculty. The idea is to formalize some of the processes we are now utilizing. The goal is to have a pool of diverse part-time candidates available.
  - Question about faculty relocation expense amount limits. Dr. Jenks will follow-up with Mr. Sutherland

- **Program Assessment (SI-2) –**
  - The report is complete. Dr. Jenks said this needs to be a year round discussion. RCOB, COE, and TSSON are doing well with their assessments. This is not a two week exercise, it is on-going. There were 36 departments/programs scoring below a three. Of those, 28 did not choose the opportunity to re-work their reports. Dr. Jenks suggested that the deans reach out to Amanda for information. Dr. Gagnon suggested that maybe some chairs should be on the assessment committee.

- **Dean's Retreat - (SI:4) –**
  - The Dean’s Retreat is four weeks away. Deans will look at their 2018 plan and close the loop, and they will work on their plan for the upcoming year.

- **University College (SI 1-3)**
  - Advising and the Center for Academic Success are officially part of Academic Affairs as of today. Carrie Ziglar is in charge of both for now. The dean search committee is in the initial stages of meeting, and they are trying to determine whether the search should be internal or external. There was a suggestion that Andy Walter come to a dean’s meeting to discuss the interdisciplinary degree.
• **COAH/COSM update (SI 4) –**
  The chairs have met and have put together models for a larger committee structure and new possibilities: 1 – status quo, three separate colleges. 2 – combined COAH/COSM. 3 – old COAS again, with schools instead of departments. 4 – COAS and another “super college”. Recommendations are due to the President on November 15th.

• **Course Tracking (summer/fall core) (SI:2) –**
  Core progression – We do not expect a need for any new seats for fall. The undergraduate and dual enrollments are down. The graduate enrollments are up.

• **Budget Development (SI-4) –**
  Operational budgets must be evaluated and discussed. New faculty/staff lines must be looked at strategically.