

Council of Department Heads monthly meeting

January 30, 2018

Present: Edward Walker (Mng/Bus & Chair); Fred Downing (Phil/Rel), Darrell Ross (Soc/Anth/CJ), Robert Harding (POLS), Hollis Barnett (Art), Doug Farwell (Music); Shaun Ault (Math), Krishnendu Roy (Comp Sci), Ofelia Nikolova (Mod/Class Lang), Donna Sewell (Eng), Linda Most (Library Sci), Sonya Sanderson (Kinesiology), Calvin Walker (Af Amer Studies), Shirley Andrews (Early Childhood & Sp Ed), Barbara Radcliffe (Middle, Secondary Reading), Chere Peguesse (Student Success), Robert Gannon (Biology), Leon Pate (Curriculum, Leadership, and Tech), Mark Borzi (Comm); Hudson Rogers (Intl. Business), Ron Stunda (Acct), Keith Waugh (Adult & Career Ed), Timothy Henkel (IDEA Center), Alicia Roberson (Cen Advising);

Absent: Jerry Merwin (Pub. Admin); James Baxter (Chem), Edward Chatelain (Physics), John Dunn (History), Corine Myers-Jennings (Comm Science/Disorders), LaGary Carter (Nursing), Bonni Cohen (Nursing), Fred Knowles (Native Amer Studies), Katherine Oglesby (Women/Gender Studies), Karin Roland (Econ/Fin); Mizanur Miah (Soc Work), Kate Warner (Psych Counsel),

Guest: Michael Black (Institutional Effectiveness); Rebecca Murphy (HR)

1. Meeting called to order at 4:03 pm by Ed Walker.
2. Minutes approved unanimously.
3. Dr. Lai Orenduff thanked everyone for cooperation in providing syllabi for PERS courses. Asked that syllabi once again be sent to her a semester in advance.
4. University Reports
 - a. Dr. Bob Smith, Provost recognized
 - i. Provided updates on administration searches.
 - ii. Director for STEAM Center search postponed.
 - iii. Solicited feedback on the spring semester registration process. Discussed ways the wait list system could be improved.
 - iv. Dr. Smith was asked about summer scheduling.
 - v. Asked about faculty evaluation model. Faculty Senate has sent it to committee.
 - vi. Noted that the workload committee may be moved back a year because of the quantity of searches ongoing.
 - vii. Dr. Ross asked about the policy regarding non-students' presence in classes.
 - viii. Dr. Walker asked when the Dashboard would be available. No date yet.
5. Rob Freehoff, the new Advising Director, was introduced. Distributed a draft of the proposed advising roles. Discussion ensued around how the new model of professional undergraduate advisors would be implemented.
6. The new interim HR director, Bruce Curl, was introduced. The search for the permanent replacement is ongoing.
7. Dr. Ed Walker announced the upcoming meeting of University Council to discuss the Strategic Plan 2022.
8. Dr. Roy described a meeting in Macon that he attended about new data models at the USG level.
9. Alicia Roberson reminded the group about an upcoming career fair. DegreeWorks will be updated and will be down for one week. Significant improvements are expected.
10. Meeting adjourned 5:11 pm.