Deans Council November 4, 2015

- 1. Danny Gallant gave an update for strategic plan, his area is attracting and retaining high caliber faculty and staff. He explained how SFA have been working on this in past years but it is difficult to distinguish between merit and equity. This committee is establishing a framework.
- 2. John Calahan introduced a new product, Platinum Analytics, which is a tool that can offer solutions for class scheduling. The final decision has not been made on how we will implement this, we are currently looking at data connection and how it can work with Banner.

3. Policies:

Academic Freedom and Responsibility (7.3)

Curation of Archaeological Collections (5.6)

Transfer Admission and Credits (6.20)

Course Grades (5.5)

Norton HPE Complex (16.18)

Prohibition of Enrollment Inducement of Military Service Members (6.23)

Misconduct in Scholarly or Creative Activities (7.19)

All policies were approved and will be submitted to the Board in January for approval.

4. Advanced Placement Exams

New legislature states that any courses requiring higher than a 3 in an AP exam for course credit must provide written explanation and provide documentation.

5. Additional majors & Second Degrees

Dr. Brunson explained that by policy we do not have a second major, although some students believe we do. Student may earn a "double major" or additional major by completing all requirements for two majors. However, this results only in the hours for the additional major being listed on the transcript. Two diplomas are not awarded when a student has an additional major. Students must follow the policy for earning a second degree to earn an additional diploma. We need to be sure that advisors (professional and faculty) make it clear to students that earning two majors is not the same thing as two degrees or diplomas. We must get this word out; Scott Shattuck will talk to chairs forum.

6. Workload Reassignment

Workload reassignment requests no longer need to be approved by the Provost, they will be approved by the dean and a summary of all approved sent to the Provost each semester.

Future Meeting Dates: Upcoming Deadlines: November 11, 2015 November 19, 2015 Workload reassignment summary for Spring 2016 due to Provost November 18, 2015 November 23: December 2, 2015 Faculty development leave applications due to Provost December 16, 2015 November 24: January 13, 2016 Explanation/Justification of AP requirements if above 3. January 27, 2016 December 2: February 10, 2016 Requests for all new positions for 2016/2017 to Provost February 24, 2016 **December 17:** Graduate and Undergraduate curriculum changes due

Upcoming University Holidays

November 26 & 27: Thanksgiving December 23 – January 1: Christmas

Attendees:

Mary Nelle BrunsonSharon BrewerDanny GallantJudy AbbottBuddy HimesKim ChildsTim BispingKen FarrishSteve CooperJohn CalahanShirley Dickerson