

Academic Affairs Council

December 17, 2014

1. **Policies** Kim Childs

Information Security for Portable Devices (14.6)

Academic Unit Appointments (4.2)

Off-Campus Credit Courses (5.13)

Turner Auditorium (16.30)

Use of Electronic Information Resources (16.32)

Computer and Network Security (14.2)

Out of State Electronic Fee (3.24)

After some discussion all policies were approved and will be sent to the Board in January.

2. **Astra Schedule Update** John Calahan

John Calahan gave an update on Ad Astra and reminded the deans that training would be available all day on January 7<sup>th</sup>. We will be using scheduling software to optimize classrooms for 2015 schedule. He suggests faculty go and look at the room they are teaching in before the first class day.

A Strategic Scheduling Presentation will be made on January 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in BUS133 and all deans and chairs are encouraged to attend.

3. **Any Other Business**

Dr. King commented that we had a good level of student participation for core curriculum assignments, with 74% for fall. Some classes collect zero work some collected 100%.

In spring we will send out a request for faculty to assess this work done by students. This will be used when considering performance evaluations .

We are part of the Consortium LEAP Texas, we may possibly get in on a grant Lumina

Foundation. Texas are being heavily courted to participate with multi-state assessment initiative. If we choose to participate we will show students work.

Lonestar meeting next week.

Strategic Plan meeting, Vision conference, January 30.

Dr. Brunson announced that Donna Hay from the Education Advisory Board will be on campus on January 28<sup>th</sup> presenting Dean's Dashboard, which she feels will be very useful. Dr. Brunson and Dr. Berry have already seen the presentation. Reminders will be sent out.

The SSI collaboration with SSC launched in fall, with initiatives to work with freshman three times in first semester, will continue. A new initiative with first time probationary students, from now on every student that goes on probation will have to speak to an advisor. They will be required to meet the advisor once a month.

#### 4. **Date of Next Meeting**

January 28, 2015 – EAB Presentation.