

Deans Council
March 4, 2020

- 1. Curriculum Issue (from January DC)** **Lynda Langham**
Handout—article for batch approvals; need an agenda administrator must be designated from the dean’s group; dean’s council designee will be the dean who is the immediate policy chair will make the deans council approval; 700+ proposals this year! Will need to clean up the websites based on course numbers; TCNNS
- 2. Online course development and re-development** **Megan Weatherly**
Showed new online form to be used for develop/re-development; only compensate for existing courses (not course that have not yet been developed); get with Alisha on developing a cost/benefit analysis; do the deans want to see this?; concerns include courses that are often under-enrolled; traditionally, have used the approval of academic unit heads; think about the demand—have student need to be the driver rather than the faculty want to be the driver; will table until April; Megan will send us more information; Course re-development—the budget will NOT support this; is the issue quality control? If so, not staffed to do this; technical problems/ADA problems/accessibility/out-of-date information; could chairs do this?? Evaluate courses for age; Megan will send email to deans as a recap, including listing of courses and development dates
- 3. Policies** **Hans Williams/Tim Bisping**
Graduate Assistantships (6.12) — passed
In-Residence Requirement (6.15) — passed
Recombinant DNA/Infectious Biohazards (8.9) — passed
Research Enhancement Program (8.11) — passed
Faculty Compensation (adjunct experience) 12.6 — passed
Curriculum Reviews, Modifications and Approvals (5.7) — passed
Graduate Admission (new) — passed
Judy moved to accept all; Kim seconded; passed
- 4. Potential Multidisciplinary Policy** **Brian Murphy**
Handout (dated April 2017); President’s initiative to encourage interdisciplinary policy, based on EAB research; Brian will send the EAB study; this will be discussed in Deans Forum; should not have to reinvent the wheel; contact Sharon to get this back on the Deans Council at a later month
- 5. Suspension students (letting them enroll)** **Marc Guidry**
Spoke with chairs forum about this; example a student who has been enrolling with GPA <2.0 for 4 semesters/semesters after semester; problematic exception; stop waiving pre-requisites and late admissions; stop saying yes to everything the student wants; being student-centric does not mean saying yes to everything; minimal comments from chairs during chairs forum
- 6. Textbook Adoption Time Line policy 10.1** **Marc Guidry**
Handout; April 1 deadline for fall adoption; every faculty must go into system for each course; the TCCNS number are not in the current system; B&N is currently updating the system; the system should be updated over spring break

7. Follow-up from Cabinet Meeting

Steve Bullard

Lone Star College Kingwood

Gordon had a good meeting with their president; please work cooperatively with LSC Kingwood

15 to finish/curricular restructuring

Moving to a concept of 3 terms—fall, spring, summer

Texas Tech potential collaboration

Veterinary technology

Vet/med health fields

8. Summer Scheduled - LANCAT Teams Site

Steve Bullard

The updated LAN-CAT summer is updated; scrutinize it; the advertising campaign is up; summer budget MUST be to Alisha by Friday

9. Professor/Emeritus info from deans

Steve Bullard

Rising full professors to be recognized; provide information about full professors and about emerita to provost before April board meeting

10. Any Other Business

- a. Gordon is creating student advisory council; each college represented; SFA BigJacks??? What is this?? Check past email—maybe chairs were contacted
- b. Corona-Virus—Friday morning emergency management Zoom call-in; looking at all courses be registered or a part of BrightSpace at the very least; Anthony spoke of leveraging the services that we do have in place; thinking through the processes; remote learning for classes to continue (example for NYU Shangi); Judy shared some of what Nac ISD facilities is doing related to sanitizing; Midwestern University is basing their plan on employees not coming to campus; trying to avert the panic; motion is that the administration develop a listing of appropriate products for disinfecting surface during the corona-virus/flu season for surfaces (bathrooms; desks; computers/touch-screens), Kim seconded the motion, passed
- c. Graduate school & Office of Sponsored Programs website presented by Pauline;
- d. Budget—get to Alisha on Thursday

11. Date of Next Meeting

April 1, 2020