

Deans Council

June 16, 2010

Ric Berry	Mary Nelle Brunson	Steve Bullard
Shirley Dickerson	Tony Duben	Mel Finkenberg
Buddy Himes	Larry King	Brian Murphy
James Standley	Mike Stroup	

1. Grants and Salary Supplements

Carrie Brown

Carrie explained we have been experiencing a number of problems with additional compensation requests on grants, and that our policy and general practice do not match. Additional compensation is becoming the rule instead of the exception for grants.

Policy states that additional compensation for grants should only be paid, only if it crosses department lines.

For 2010 we have received 97 requests for additional compensation. Some federal agencies allow exceptions and some don't. The deans agreed there need to be some incentive but also that research is part of faculty job.

It was agreed that internal guidelines are needed as soon as possible and eventually a policy change. Therefore, Dr. Berry asked Dr. Duben, Dr. Bullard, Dr. Finkenberg and Dr. Stroup to meet with Carrie Brown to discuss possible guidelines and present these at the next Academic Affairs Council on July 7.

2. Activity Type for Classes

Dr. Berry distributed a list of courses that are currently designated as labs and have fees with them, he asked that the deans review these and confirm they are correct. Any changes will need to be approved by the Board in July, they will then be sent to the Coordinating Board for approval.

3. Any Other Business

Melissa Boiles with attend hearing of the Senate Finance Committee in Austin and give a presentation on student success initiative.

Dr. Berry stated the majority of the 5% savings for this biennium will be made from Summer 2011 salaries, a focus group will be formed to talk about this.

Two new deans have been appointed, Dr. Judy Abbott for Education and Dr. Danny Arnold for Business. Dr. Berry thanked Dr. Finkenberg and Dr. Stroup for their help in the last year as interim deans.

4. Date of Next Meeting

Academic Affairs Council – July 7, 2010.