

PCOE – College Council

November 9, 2015

Members Present: Judy Abbott, Ken Austin, Scott Bailey, Deborah Buswell, Paige Mask, Daniel McLeary, Chay Runnels, Sally Ann Swearingen, Vicki Thomas, Jay Thornton, Claudia Whitley

Members Not Present: None

1. Reviewed minutes. Deborah moved the minutes be approved. Jay seconded. Passed unanimously.
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Subcommittee Updates
  - a. Perkins Travel Grants – Only 1 grant approved for November.
  - b. Student Travel Grants – Deborah reported 2 students approved so far this year. Reviewed changes recommended for new policy. Biggest change is in #2, #3, #6. Students may be nominated by their faculty sponsor to attend professional conferences. #6 is an addition to cap the total amount given at \$500, so one group doesn't use all the funds. GPA's were increased. Faculty sponsor will be responsible for checking GPA's. Suggested adding a clause to #5 that committee may take into consideration certain requests for additional student compensation depending on the nature of the circumstances. Dr. Abbott suggested #2 read "Funds will be allocated for academic endeavors as supplemental support..." Daniel suggested eliminating the restriction of international travel. We are willing to support students up to \$500 at this time and the equitable distribution of student groups will be expected. Jay moved we accept these three changes immediately. Vicki seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
4. Clarification of labs being 1 TLC for 1 hour.
5. Clarification of date for submitting FAR is Nov. 14. Reporting time period is from September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2015. **PLEASE NOTE: The FAR due date was changed to Nov. 20; faculty notified via email.**
6. Graduate Council is recommending that Graduate Students seeking to be reinstated must go through the Graduate Office.
7. Interest from Human Services to cap enrollment at 30 for online courses.
8. Clarify with department chairs about meetings conflicting with office hours.
9. Next meeting is Monday, Dec. 14. Deborah will do minutes in December.