Statewide Initiatives

Dr. Sudkamp informed the Senate of two upcoming initiatives from the State of Ohio. The Guided Pathways Initiative requires the Chancellor to develop a process by Dec 1, 2018 to allow for statewide guaranteed pathways from a 2-year associate degree to a 4-year degree program in an equivalent field. The State’s vision of the initiative is one where every student with an Associate’s Degree should be able to earn a Bachelor’s Degree in 120 total credit hours. The State has chosen the areas of business and social/behavioral sciences to begin the process; faculty representing those areas from WSU and other institutions will be asked to participate in the process.

The State of Ohio has also submitted a list a duplicative programs of study in the Western Region of Ohio, which includes Wright State and Central State. The University must submit a report detailing the process, data, and rationale for maintaining duplicative programs, or express what action is planned to address the duplicative program (such as collaboration with institutional partners or elimination of the program). The Provost Office will be reaching out to Deans and Department Chairs that have identified programs in their units.

Director of International Education Search

Dr. Sudkamp stated that the search of a new director for International Education is well underway, and that he believes there is an outstanding group of applicants. It is the intention of the search committee to begin conducting on campus interviews in January 2017.

University Compliance

Dr. Sudkamp announced that Kelli Tittle, J.D. has been appointed the new Director of Compliance, a new position that was required by the Board of Trustees. Mrs. Tittle’s first major tasks will be conducting a review of all affiliated entities and a review of all University Compliance functions.

Dr. Sudkamp also announced the formation of the University Data Governance Committee, chaired by CIO Craig Woolley. The committee will be charged with ensuring that information provided to outside agencies is correct and complies with regulations set by State, Federal, and accrediting bodies.