Undergraduate Student Success Committee
Meeting Notes
October 20, 2017

Attendance:
Thomas Fenton, Cindra Holland, Craig Baudendistel, Amanda Spencer, Dan Krane, Joshua Stomel, Sirisha Naidu, Jennifer Lobo

Notes

I. Meeting was called to order at 10:00 pm

II. New Business

A. The committee reviewed language related to proposed changes to UAPC policy 3404 (adviser approval). The committee agreed that certain categories required more clarification (“directed advising”), and that the category “University College” would require new language to include all students who are relevant to the new centralized advising model. The UUAAC will deliberate on the latter and provide the committee with recommendations for the UAPC’s revisions.

B. The committee discussed plans to move forward with textbook affordability initiatives approved by the Senate in their October meeting. The committee was presented with a Tax Exempt Textbooks resolution and deliberated on whether to pass it along to the Executive committee for consideration. The resolution supports House Bill 337. Some concerns were expressed regarding the bill’s value in the face of fewer future taxable resources, and also the taxable status of resources purchased outside of the bookstore.

C. The committee also discussed moving forward with two other textbook affordability resolutions related to the creation of an ad hoc OER committee, and a working group. The committee resolved to solicit participation in these groups and create a roster.

Meeting Agenda
November 30, 2017

I. Old Business:
   a. Textbook Affordability Ad Hoc OER Committee and Working Group

II. New Business:
   a. First year seminars + learning communities
   b. CCP data
   c. Student Success Center survey/data
   d. University Admissions policy/criteria
   e. Academic Reorganization

III. Announcements/Discussion
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I. Meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm

II. Old Business

A. Textbook Affordability Ad Hoc OER Committee and Working Group

Dan Krane updated the committee on feedback received from the executive committee regarding the membership of the OER committee and working group. The OER Committee roster will include the USSC chair and co-chair, SGA representatives, a Barnes and Noble representative, and two other spots open to USSC members who are interested. The working group will be populated by members of the summer textbook affordability working group.

III. New Business

A. First Year Seminars and Learning communities

Tim Littell discussed the changes UC has implemented with regards to FY seminar curriculum. Course have been redesigned to be more career-based and to reflect a set of identified learning outcomes. Learning community curriculum has now been adapted into orientation procedures. Budget remediation has removed the common text and reduced First year program staff. There was discussion over strategies to make FY seminars a degree or program requirement, and to assess their outcomes.

B. CCP Data

The committee is still waiting for data from IR and enrollment management. Discussion was tabled.
C. Student Success Center survey/data

The committee is still gathering data. Discussion was tabled.

D. University Admissions Policy/Criteria

The committee reviewed admission policy 3110.2. Given that the data for the policy was six years old, the registrar had been requested to provide updated completion/graduation rates. Discussion was tabled.

E. Academic Reorganization

The committee briefly discussed possible implications for student success with regards to possible reorganization of colleges and departments. The point was raised regarding migration trends for students who change majors, and there was a brief discussion regarding a possible proposal for American Sign Language courses to move from CEHS to Modern Languages.

IV. Meeting adjourned at 2:40pm with the committee resolving to meet again from 1:30-2:30 on 12/14.