

Dean's Council

February 27, 2012

In attendance: Sheryl Bodrero, Sue Dalley, Dan Black, Vance Larsen, Michael Medley, Doug Dyreng, Beckie Hermansen. Dr. Smith, chairing.

Visiting: Rick White, Rob Neilson, and Craig Mathie.

Welcome, Celebrations, Affirmations

- Dan Black- Regional event finished Saturday, 150-160 students were involved
- Vance Larsen-Annual high school honor band was a week ago, about 100 students attended. They received good feedback from the attendees. The Bi-annual faculty show is at 7:30 tomorrow. The Kansas concert is on April 25th. The musical is this weekend.
- Doug Dyreng- Deca group of 11 students went to UVU for a competition. All qualified for nationals. Richfield held the FBLA southern region competition at the SVC, the attendance was in the hundreds.
- Sue Dalley-MOU for bachelor program for social work finalized leading to the BSW through U of U on Richfield and Ephraim's campus.
- Rich White- There was thousands of people on Richfield's campus for the basketball games this last weekend.
- Sheryl Bodrero- There was an on-site visit with great reviews for the Humanities Program review.
- Rob Neilson- Here at Snow College there were around 3,500 people from 16 different high schools for state playoffs.
- Dr. Smith- The minutes for the Dean's Council have successfully been uploaded to the Office of Academic Affairs webpage. Colleen will be retiring this summer.

Athletics and Academics

- Rob Neilson was brought to attention of the concern the Dean's council had about athletes always practicing and not having opportunities of regular students with their academics.
- There are several changes coming in the Athletics department
 - It is more difficult for students to transfer over to a Division 1 school.
 - Starting in August they are raising the GPA standard from a 2.0 to a 2.5 for a transfer.
- There is a conflict between class schedules and practice
- The other division other than Science don't seem to have a problem with the schedule conflict
 - Math department has given sacred hours for 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
 - Most science labs aren't done until 2:30. This conflicts with athletes schedules.
- Possibility of creating an 11 week block of labs for the athletes. During these 11 weeks they are free from practice.
- Night classes are preferable over having early morning classes.

- Most of the athletes with a GPA lower than a 2.0 are from out of state. Those athletes with 3.5 or higher are generally from Utah.

Valedictorian/Salutatorian

- Craig Mathie came to the Dean's to determine the 2011-2012 Valedictorian and the Salutatorian.
- The Dean's decided on the first and second on the list.

Accreditation and Assessment

- The faculty realizes it has to be done. They are just looking for a time to do so.
- There is a resistance because of the extra load that comes with it.
- Dr. White discussed with the Dean's that they were nearing the half way mark.
- Deans are to check with their departments to see their status on the accreditation to-do list.
 - Continue on with core check offs
- Dr. White invited the Deans to look through the target KPIs and feel comfortable about them.
 - He also recommended going over chapter 3 again.
- Recognize and let Beckie know on the focus groups that the Deans have.
- Get with faculty and get the meeting by March 30.
 - Enter all information into tracdat.
 - Have faculty do before finals.
- Figure out a time so Deans and faculty may be able to receive help.

Faculty Service Award

- The faculty service award is for this year. Needs to be figured out soon.
- This year the primary criteria will be "Lifetime Service".
- Faculty will nominate other faculty with the criteria then bring those names to the Dean's Council on 3/19.

StartSmart 2012

- Katie Justesen has stepped out as the director.
- New position being prepared.
- GPA of the StartSmart students performs significantly better than Non StartSmart students.
- It does prepare better but it is not targeted to the correct audience.
 - Less prepared students would be more applicable to the material taught in StartSmart.
 - Students that are prepared become bored during StartSmart.
- Maybe all students should be invited for the 2 day activities. To promote:
 - General Education
 - Major decision
 - Engagement in a good time
- From StartSmart they could strongly encourage college survival course (mandatory?).

- Teach the advisors how to really sell StartSmart and show the importance of it to the incoming students.
- Rob Neilson suggested combining it with a class to track it. From there you could add a credit to the class and actually get hands on information.

Cless Young- Kenya (update)

- Cless Young did receive the \$1000 scholarship for his trip to Kenya.

Book Adoption Deadline (reminder)

- Book Adoption Deadline is March 2 before spring break.

Other

- Beckie had an item. For spring this year is selective on which classes needs to be evaluated. All adjunct, 1st year, 5 year, or 10 year review. Send Beckie an e-mail by the end of March.
- Beckie also announced another survey is to be taken, get the list to the Dean's and faculty along with the dates when needing to schedule.
- Action to be made to discuss class evaluations for next year and when to produce those.
- Doug Dyreng changed the name of the Business Technology department to just the Business Division.
 - Doug Dyreng Motioned
 - Sue Dalley Seconded, All agreed