

Dean's Council

March 19, 2012

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

Visiting: Doug Johnson, Dr. Rick White.

Welcome, Affirmations, and Celebrations

- Doug Dyreng told the Deans that Jay Olsen received the State FFA Honorary Farmer Degree.
 - Dr. Smith recommended he sent a note to Marci Larsen.
- Sue Dalley mentioned that her staff had gone to some conferences and reported back to her division with good input.
- Vance Larsen shared that his students would be traveling to Southeastern Utah.
- Sheryl Bodrero reported that the students from her department made it back safely from their Europe trip.
- Doug Johnson mentioned that today there was a County Seat session being filmed in the Lorenzo Snow room.
 - It airs on Sunday mornings at 8:00 on Channel 4.

Faculty Service Award

- Deans discussed and chose a candidate for the Faculty Service Award.
 - Announced at a later date.

Innovations Celebrations and Report from Philadelphia

- The staff that attended were: Beckie Hermansen, Nick Marsing, Richard Squire, Heidi Johnson, and Greg Edwards.
- Learned a lot of information from the difference workshops and classes attended.
 - Came away with many ideas and new innovations for the institution.
- Keynote speakers were excellent.
 - One man discussed his book "The Other Wes Moore".
- On April 20th there will be an Innovation Celebration at 4:30 in the Library. This will be an opportunity to show off the "happenings" within the divisions.
 - Deans are to send 3 "great things" in their divisions to Beckie Hermansen as soon as possible.
 - The celebration will take place around Leonardo Da Vinci's Birthday. Hopefully in the future it will become a week-long celebration.
- Beckie Hermansen discussed the coming of a Falling Forward Award. This annual award will be to the idea that never really worked, but yielded great knowledge and input.

Utah Valley Initiative- Conversation and Feedback from Division

- Doug Dyreng told the deans that it was worth a try.
 - He did mention that the Box Car concept was excellent.
 - He agreed with the 2 year idea also.
- Becky Hermansen said that the students that get admitted after the semester starts generally don't stay and/or don't do as well. There is a drive for numbers in the fall but that pulls down the potential retention rates.
- Sue Dalley mentioned that she had a concern regarding more than just math and science, she wondered if there would be enough seats, and whether the students would have a full schedule.
- Sheryl Bodrero said that her division is open to it. She was with Doug in saying that the 2 year idea was the way to go.
- Dr. Smith said that he was worried that the instructors would be burnt out. The new instructors will have to be told honestly how much and what the work load is going to be.

Observations from NWCCU Accreditation Workshops

- The North West Commission had 2 conferences that Dr. Smith and Dr. White attended. The points that came from this were:
 - Focus on year 3 report.
 - New standards 1,2,3,4,5 (Year 7 report)
- People from other institutions were there and showed and talked about their observations.
- The reports from the school should include:
 - Mission, Themes, Achievements, Outcomes, and Mission Fulfillment.
- It's important to recognize the difference between the standards.
- There needs to be caution on how the Deans make decisions. Also to make sure that we use the core themes to drive the institution.
- Dr. Smith mentioned that they need nominees to become reviewers. He would like more representation from Snow College.
- Identify the learning outcomes for degrees rather than just programs.
- Minimal budget to clarify acceptable thresholds for all 40 KPIs.
- The Deans then proceeded to go over KPIs and created thresholds for them.
- An action item was called to the Annual Review Sheet to be put on the next meeting's agenda. Also to come back and revisit 3.2.2.

Concurrent Enrollment Changes- Update and Conversation

- Senate Bill 284 tuition fee for CE courses allows the institution to charge up to \$30 per hour. Ednet will be \$15 per hour, and \$10 for classes at high schools being taught by the high school teacher. If the student is on free or reduced lunch meals than its \$5 per class. These prices are all for the first class after that the price is to be reduced and that price has to be determined by the board of regents.
- CE has been used for as a recruiting tool and a service to the community.
- The rate needs to be figured out within the next few weeks.
 - Put this item on the President's agenda.
- Deans helped out with doubling the amount of Ednet classes.

TBSI Update

- Susan Crook to oversee The Mormon Pioneer Heritage Institute and the TBSI for the next few months.