

Minutes
Administrative Council - College of Education and Behavioral Sciences
Thursday, December 6, 2007 – 9:30 a.m.
Dean's Conference Room, Tate Page Hall

Present: Evans, Poe, Norman, Daniel, Haggbloom, Hughey, Metze (via web link), Mikovch, Powell, Powers, Schlinker (for Fiene). Tony Kirchner and Sharon Hartz were also in attendance.

Considerable discussion was held concerning the accountability system. It was agreed that a temporary solution to address privacy issues could be to have departments save the files in a secured location on the F drive. Dr. Metze, Dr. Norman, and Mr. Kirchner will meet next week to discuss this further, in hopes of having a plan in place by January 3. Dr. Evans asked that everyone be prepared by January 17 so that a response can be sent to IT.

A draft of the flyer for the Hensley lecture was distributed. Faculty are strongly encouraged to get the word out to students and promote attendance. Discussion followed relative to students receiving extra credit for attending as well as other ways to publicize this event.

It was agreed that the document on Quality Benchmarks be put on the agenda of the Deans Retreat.

The Provost's husband is scheduled for heart surgery on Friday.

Brief discussion was held on the new building.

Initial planning for the 2008 CEBS Student Awards Ceremony will be on the agenda of the January 17 Council meeting.

Dr. Evans indicated that the Gates Foundation is looking for big ticket, long-term items. He added that we need to address the fact that many children "fall through the cracks."

A brief update was given on the Todd Professorship.

Dr. Evans will be meeting individually with department heads in the near future to discuss the WKU Research Enterprise. In addition, Dan Roenker will be invited to a future Council meeting to discuss this topic. Dr. Evans plans to meet with the Provost relative to grants, particularly in light of the fact that we will not have any earmarks this year.

Discussion was held on WKU Project Finish. WKU sent 2400 names to the clearinghouse, and the committee is reviewing financial incentives. Credit for life experiences is being considered, and it was noted that the College currently accepts some credit for certain types of military experience. Council members were encouraged to look at the Project Finish website.

No interest was expressed on the Hanover Research Group information.

A workday is scheduled for January 9 at South Campus to discuss the redesign of the Teacher Leader Masters Program. More information will be sent out on this.

The topic of marketing faculty research agendas and strengths will be brought back to the table at a later date. Tony Norman will also work with Usmaan on it.

Additional funding for GAs is expected. Department heads should be thinking about needs in their respective areas, including those for Winter, May and June 2008. We also need to think about how the funds will be used next year, as we will receive more than what was allocated this year. Department heads will need to work with Ms. Hartz on this.

The alumni survey was discussed briefly. Dr. Norman reported on what he is doing as well as some of his concerns.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Cathie Bryant, Secretary