COEHD College Council Meeting

Minutes

February 11, 2011 930a MB 2.220 (rescheduled from UTSA closure day – ice on February 4)

Members in attendance: Mariela Rodriguez (Chair, ELPS), Alex Bowers (parliamentarian, ELPS), Donovan Fogt (secretary, H&K), Shannon Sauro (BBL), Kelly Rodgers (Ed Psych), Audrey Dentith (Chair-elect, ILT), Bruce Barnett (ELPS), Robin Redmon-Wright (ILT), Gerald Juhnke (Counseling),

Members excused or missing: John Zhang (H&K), Howard Smith BBL, Patricia McGee (Ed Psych), Alycia Mauer (NTT rep, ILT), Mari Cortez (ILT), Meizi He (H&K), graduate student representative Debra Root (ILT), Elias Zambrano (Counseling),

I. Call to Order

II. Dean’s Forum – Betty Merchant

  a. Budget from State will be late and outlook is unpredictable. Fiscal management at UTSA has been strong and can weather storm better than other universities. We cannot report to state that UTSA has no problem. No salary reductions or furlows (against state law at present time).

  President Romo’s priorities are student resources, faculty performance, and staff protection. Faculty searches have been allowed in our college because of current faculty and recruited faculty. Future searches unclear but joint senior hires with College of Science might be a way to work around limitations.

  b. Marcus trying to develop money but is working for 2 other programs.

     Donor support is scarce in higher education preparation scholarships.

  c. National Council on Teacher Quality negative outlook has approached US News and World Report to use NCTQ data, which paints a poor, albeit inaccurate, picture of higher education teacher preparation.
d. TEA partnering with UT Austin to evaluate teaching effectiveness measures.

e. Launch of Consortium for Social Transformation Feb 23rd 5:30pm in BB 2.06.04. Possible future certificate to help involved students with job market? Perhaps an Interdisciplinary Studies minor or type of double-major?

III. Guest Presentation: Shelley Deats, Assistant Director of Parking & Transportation

a. 7 levels, 1200+ spaces with retail and offices; entrance & exit on both ends

b. Construction begins Tues, March 1st until Fall 2012

c. Visit www.utsa.edu/eastgarage for more information on this project

d. Will have limited access from John Peace Blvd. and access from UTSA Blvd.

e. Visit www.utsa.edu/parking for more information and shuttle schedules and info

IV. Discussion Items: Feedback from Departments

a. Possible alternatives to Faculty Development Leave – send departmental feedback electronically to Mariela so that we can discuss preparing a letter to Provost during College Council March meeting.

V. Old Business – Commencement participation poor at fall ceremony. Gather information from departments on barriers to attendance and possible incentives. Report back to Mariela for discussion at next meeting.

VI. Committee Work & Reports
a. Awards – Alycia Mauer, Kelly Rogers, Shannon Sauro
   a. Currently reviewing award applicants
b. COEHD Research Colloquium: Alex Bowers, Audrey Denith, Meizi He, Robin Redmon Wright, Debra Root, Elias Zambrano
   a. Meeting to schedule and work on finalizing agenda
c. Department Chair Evaluation: Jerry Juhnke, Patricia McGee, Mariela Rodriguez, John Zhang
   a. Incorporating feedback from department chairs.
d. Promotion & Tenure Faculty Forum: Bruce Barnett, Donovan Fogt, Howard Smith, Mari Cortez
   a. First forum scheduled (see announcement below)

VII. Announcements

a. Inform faculty that Dean’s Lounge (MB 3.308) must be reserved for use through Barrett Orth in the Dean’s Office. Mariela will suggest a sleeve and reserved sheet outside door for weekend reservations clarity.
b. P&T Faculty Forum: February 18th 10am-noon in UC 2.03.08 (Anaqua Room)
c. Launch of Consortium for Social Transformation Feb 23rd 530pm in BB 2.06.04
d. Next College Council Meeting: Friday, March 4th at 9:30am in MB 2.220