

Academic Council Notes
January 12, 2023; 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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Action/Business:

1. Program Action Request
 - a. UAF CBSM-BSRB program discontinuation - This was approved at the last meeting and all that was needed was the documentation for it.
 - b. UAS - Learning Design and Technology, M.Ed. (ended Spring 2019); Science Education K-8, M.Ed. (ended Summer 2020) - This is cleanup from previous staff Rick and Jim; it's been communicated out and the PAR forms need to be completed.
2. Revision to [Policy 10.02.040](#) - UAF - Request to change policy. Include the Agriculture Forestry Experiment Station under the Institute of Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Extension and to pull the Kodiak Seafood and Marine Science Center out as a separate administrative unit. This is a reshuffle and now just cleaning up.
3. AC Charter - It wasn't approved in the last meeting in December because there wasn't full representation and it was tabled for the next meeting. This needs a vote.

Agenda Items:

1. Faculty Governance Reports - Gokhan, Jennifer, Jennifer/Andrea - Gokhan, shared information on Hank Rrichmann's work and can send material at request by any members. Jennifer's work with the communication taskforce; Jonathan King facilitated the meeting. Defining what Shared Governance means was discussed. The Faculty Alliance will also discuss this. Gokhan stated that they were discussing if the Taskforce should continue. Chancellor search update; there are 5 names of the candidates and a brief introduction of each candidate was provided.
2. Registration timeline - Looking at Fall 2023 registration timeline. Courses list available on March 20th and registration starts April 3rd. Could the timeline move forward for priority registration? Student Affairs is discussing this. Currently, there is a hold on student registration so that they can't register until they complete their Title IX training. Vice Chancellors for the students are also discussing this. They wanted this in an email to the Governance Groups but Paul wanted to talk with this group first and to make sure all groups are aware of this discussion.
3. Low-value program discussion - Request for information that came from the Department of Education, it's an effort to reduce the student debt and loan. The Federal Government wants to ensure that students are not under excessive debts. Some students felt that they didn't get anything out of their education and their degree had no value; this left some students unable to get a job. That's a general concern and there is no criteria to define what a low value program is. They are looking for metrics right

now and looking at programs where the costs outweigh the benefits. There is a 30 day comment period and those comments can be sent to John Latini who is our Federal Liaison. The comments will be vetted by President Pitney and VP Layer.

- a. press release [here](#)
 - b. RFI [here](#)
 - c. fact sheet [here](#).
4. Tuition regulation - Residency requirements are up for discussion. It's in draft form and will be distributed for comments.
 5. Roundtable and future agenda items - All - Susan, no updates, students just looking forward to classes starting. Maren, no main updates, search for Deans going on. Charlene, CRCD is going through a renaming process. CTC side is moving forward with the LPN program. Anupma, suggests the dates for future meetings be published. UAF is starting a student success center on the 6th floor of Gruening. They have been pushing for early registration and incentives for registration. Alex, nothing additional at this point. Representative Karick and Senator Meyer refiled the OER bill. Take a look at the pre-files on the Textbook Transparency Act. We are tracking the bills in the Legislative Session. We will be briefing Senator Tobin on UAF.

Action items from previous meetings:

- Develop regulation associated with Policy [P10.02.070 Accreditation](#) - Working Draft Doc - [Regulation](#)

Future Meeting Agenda Items:

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 23, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm