Minutes of the HHS Faculty Meeting
November 7, 2018
Lawson 1142

- The meeting was called to order by Associate Professor, Laura Claxton, Chair of the Agenda Committee.
  o Dr. Claxton then introduced Dean Underwood
- Dean Underwood provided introduction and Welcomed the 30 new faculty in the college (See PowerPoint slides*)
  o Dean Underwood explained a possible realignment of HHS units; emphasized these are in an early stage and discussions are ongoing
    ▪ Consumer Science undergraduates and staff relocated to HTM as “division of consumer science”
    ▪ Faculty would be added to support this addition
    ▪ Proposal to create a Department of Public Health
    ▪ Dedicated faculty would staff this department
  o Strategic Planning Process
    ▪ Committee will be appointed in Spring 2019 to select signature areas
  o Shane Hawins-Wilding provided HHS enrollment update
    ▪ Enrollment for 2018 was ~900; same as 2017
    ▪ % of URM students was 13.4, besting campus wide figure (~11%)
  o HHS to hire Director of Diversity and Inclusion
  o Steady increase in HHS students participating in Study Abroad (34%)
  o Overall External Research Funding comparable to 2017; NIH-funding is increased, now 2nd among all units on West Lafayette Campus
  o HHS Research Day was promoted, mentioning Award Winners Jeff Karpicke and Louis Tay, both of Psychological Sciences
  o Space master planning process was announced to begin on November 12th
- Questions from Faculty
  o Several faculty inquired about timeline for possible unit realignment. Dean Underwood indicated that preliminary timeline was April to June 2019, but that there was no rush. She shared that Faculty would have opportunity for input.
  o A faculty member noted that Health Sciences currently has an undergraduate program in Public Health. Dean Underwood noted it had only 8 current students and all would be allowed to finish this program if they chose to do so.
- Committee Reports:
  o Dr. Ulrike Dydak provided an update from the Faculty Affairs Committee (See PowerPoint slides*)
    ▪ One meeting was held in Fall 2018; Major focus is on developing ideas for faculty enrichment (e.g., statistics training) – faculty were encouraged to share ideas
  o Dr. Dorothy Teegarden provided an update from the Graduate Educational Policy and Curriculum Committee (GEPCC). (See PowerPoint slides*)
    ▪ GEPCC sought to develop expectations for 698/699 courses and communicate those with students (particularly those at risk of unsatisfactory grades)
    ▪ Graduate students initiatives and changes:
      • Grad students shift to bi-weekly pay periods in Jan 2019
• Increasing professional development offerings
• Graduate Diversity Visit Program (GDVP) slated for late 2018; 13 prospective students visiting HHS (of 105 total)
• Announced Summer Research Opportunity Program (SROP) will have increased funding in 2019 (HHS funds half $4500 cost for 6 students)
  o Dr. Dorothy Teegarden, Report from HHS Research Advisory Council (See PowerPoint slides*)
    • HHS continued to fund NIH visits
    • IRB process streamlined
    • Autism Conference upcoming
  o Dr. Tom Berndt, report from HHS Undergraduate Educational Policy and Curriculum Committee (UEPCC). (See PowerPoint slides*)
    ▪ Committee continued to pursued “Degree in 3” initiatives
    ▪ Committee provided update on “Curriculog” software program for Course and Curriculum management system.
    ▪ Updated on new Occupational Health Science Minor, in collaboration with college of Engineering.
  o Dr. Tom Berndt, report from the HHS Teaching Award Committee (See PowerPoint slides*)
    ▪ Announced Dr. Georgia Malandraki from SLHS as Patsy Mellott Teaching Innovation Award Winner
  o Stephanie Farlow, Assistant Director of Student Services, provided report on HHS Career Development Advisory Council (See PowerPoint slides*)
    ▪ Provided update on resources including myCCO (a resource for students and alumni to search for internship and jobs) and Portfolium (a professional networking resource for Purdue students and alumni)
    ▪ Announced availability of 2017 First Destination survey data that provides outcomes on students graduating in 2017
• University Senate Report from Dr. Stewart Chang Alexander
  o Provided various update on Purdue Global Certification process
  o Provided updates and fielded questions on benefits changes such as proposed biometric screening and spousal exclusion; Indicated Senate actively challenged these changes.
  o Audience member questioned whether it was possible to reconcile/discuss overlaps in programs from Purdue Global and West Lafayette Campus
    ▪ Dr. Chang Alexander related that a script is being developed for a call center rep to steer customers; Some fear that this will typically steer to online program
  o Audience member asked for update on any changes to student evaluations
    ▪ Dr. Chang Alexander noted that goal remains move to qualitative metrics, but specifics remain TBD.
• Meeting was adjourned by Dean Underwood.

*Reports available at the HHS website: https://www.purdue.edu/hhs/faculty/meetings/index.html

Respectfully Submitted,
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