Academic Affairs Leadership Team Minutes  
March 21, 2012  
9:00 a.m.  
Heth Hall 014

1. Reminders/Follow Ups From Previous Meeting(s):
   a. Searches
      i. VPEM – 42 applications 14 qualified. Telephone interviews yesterday and Thursday. On campus interviews in a couple of weeks. Meet with the deans as a combined group. 2 day interviews.
      ii. dean’s search – April 5-6 and April 13-14 for on campus interviews. Case study interview. Dr. Minner will select a preliminary case and let the deans examine it.
      iii. Roanoke and Abingdon. Effective immediately Dr. Minner will be the supervisor for the individuals at both campuses. Meeting set for April.
      iv. Dr. Robinson is the new VP for UA. Schedule of other meeting coming to the meetings.
   b. First Amendment Issues – passed a resolution to take to Cabinet. Consensus opinion is to gather more support by taking a look at policies at other institutions such as W&M. Someone is needed to look at what we passed and compare it to other institutions. Steve Helm will take this responsibility.
   c. Affordability Series
      i. VA government connection – contacted Andrew Koll. Have not heard from him. Richard Vedder will be here on September 17th. May be inviting people from state government. Need to decide on whether to go national or regional or local. Ask for input on how to structure it. Dr. Gilbert concerned that the date will conflict with AACSB and President Kyle said it conflicts with SCHEV
      d. K-12 University Partnership Planning Grants – A new call for grants for this. Do we do this? Preliminary proposal already done. Planning grant 90K. Summer salaries, travel consultants. Dr. Minner to discuss with President Kyle.
      e. IG Reform – Dr. Webster-Garrett- ....met with the head of the RU Senates. Consensus to have an outside consultant come in and look at our structure.


3. Contingent Faculty Compensation – requests about contingent faculty compensation. Most recent policy on adjunct faculty compensation. CUPA National numbers show that 667 is the national average. Prompted by a request from Dr. Shoemaker. Discussion: Problems getting expertise getting adjuncts. RU require adjuncts to buy a parking permits. Reduce the cost of parking permits. If we increase adjunct pay it will take funds from something else. Is the problem that we lose adjuncts to VA tech? Connie to work with Deb to look for data for 4 year institutions, peer and VA colleges. Hold off on other potential benefits until the data is gathered.

4. Woodrow Wilson Visiting Scholar Program (should we continue?) – Dr. Vetter was here last week. Tim will gather information (feedback). Should we do this again? Dr. Vetter arranged for
three of our students to have internships in DC. Should we continue to tie it to the QEP? Only good things come out of bringing more scholars to campus. Craft a proposal for selection of the next scholar to come to campus.

5. Hosting Opportunities/Challenges – Do we want to take on this opportunity. What would it entail? Work with Steve Helm

6. CEU Issues – NURS going after grant that will offer CEU. Need to have someone identified that can award CEU’s. Need to have someone identified to write the letters and grant the CEU’s. Larger issue ....can we defer this to the summer retreat.....put on agenda for the summer retreat.

7. Japanese Initiative – Students in Dr. Minner’s course. Need one element to be covered: student activity to go into library to teach

8. Open forum next Monday.

9. Spend down the budgets.

10. Continue to attend Women’s History activities

11. Own PD – find a time to go to local high school to teach a class. Dr. Minner coordinate with Superintendent of Radford city schools. And then get together to talk about their experiences.

12. Good of The Order
   a. Women’s History Reception (Thursday, March 29, 2012)
   b. The library guidelines covering. Get from Steve.......  
   c. HA TF met yesterday with consultant.
   d. Secretary of Finance – tomorrow. How the budget is set in VA?
   e. Judy Carmichael will perform tonight.

13. Jack Brockway – Change the pay dates for adjuncts and graduate students? Connie to follow up.

14. Increase the pay for adjuncts that have been here and hold some seniority. Bev Zeakes.

15. Ginger Burgraff- tuition waiver of adjuncts is an already great recruiting tool.

Walk Around Readings: College Affordability (paper by Andy Kroll)


Chart of the Day:
Might also want to check out this film:

DEFAULT: The Student Loan Documentary (http://DefaultMovie.com).