Agenda Minutes for GSC meeting 11/7/14

Attendance Sydney Comitz, Troy W. Pritt, Dan Gerlowski Kristen Tull, Catherine Johnson

Agenda approved
Minutes approved from last meeting.

Student Report

- White House visit it’s on us. No training yet. We asked how to make it relevant to UB. No response from the White House
- Board of regents visit about same, article and tv exposure.
- Training senate, asking for legislation, and constitution needs changing.
- Working on survey with Ms. King. SGA, the students were asked to add 10 questions. Ms. King’s office paid for survey. Survey created by Noel Levitz, a national consulting firm. The firm suggests that we need a 29% response rate for statistical sub-population validity.
- Dan will send out blast e-mail to all UB faculty about the survey based upon text suggested by Sydney. The email to faculty will encourage them to encourage their students to complete the survey and to follow the link from their ub email accounts.
- Meeting with Ms. Burkhalter and to fill out a table with ten years of data, task force has been formed  SGA

Staff Report

- Lisa Park is the rep for SEPSC committee.
- Need a senator to replace Daniel Page.
- Monday Lara Bryan is coming to talk freshman experience at UB
- Anita Harewood is coming to talk about title IX
- Susan Tabor coming to talk about Maryland charity campaign.
- Web form from 2 weeks ago will be live next week. (suggestion comments link)
- Work-Life Committee to form resolution for fund for work life dissatisfaction with support from UBSS

Faculty Report

- Last meeting lots of documents
- Anita Harewood meeting she wants to have all faculty and staff trained in title IX
- Looking for training options for Title IX compliance. The training for faculty and staff will be different from students. Might be face-to-face or online. Many faculty have a deep and abiding interest in this topic. There were 2 questions raised at the UFS meeting on this topic. Does the State pick up legal fees for those who are accused of Title IX violations and are then exonerated? Does the policy suspend certain aspects of due process?
- The University has a sexual harassment policy ready to be approved.
• Academic Support Committee is working on plagiarism tutorial. Many questions about content still need answering.

Data Analysis Group Report

• Dan has handouts six measures of success. How do you define success? Any work that we do will address all students. Tables for transfer and freshman students presented showing different measures of success. 1. First semester gpa >2. 2. 2 year persistence. 3. 4 year persistence. 4. 4 year graduation. 5. 6 year graduation.
• More interest in looking at freshmen: 77% successful in first semester, 2 year persistence 65%, 4 year persistence 57%, 4 year graduation rate 14.4%, 6 year graduation rate 16%. For these success numbers the national average is higher than the UB average.
• National average is higher than the UB average
• The bridge programs at UB. Pre college students where college is eminent. 67 students went through bridge and went to UB. All we know is others have not attended here.
• The success of bridge students are 77 and 79 present were successful the bridge students are likely to stay.
• The only impact on sat scores is if a student graduates. Clearly SAT’s increase odds of graduation for our freshman.
• Program grouping, the hero is Simulation and Digital Entertainment while others are mixed. No data means there were no students in that program.
• Data from fall ‘07 to spring ‘14
• See attached PDF

• SEPSC Committee made written report to UFS, presented to GSC. Dan was there as an observer. No long term goal
• goal must be hit for Fall 15
• Ms. King will talk to program directors and associate deans about enrollment goals for their programs.
• What does the enrollment target of 6600 students mean? What is it based on?
• Ms. Comitz said, according to a report shared at the system level, we were 79 students shy of meeting our goal.
• Dan would like to know if we do anything with SEPSC. A decision was made to send them our goals and to ask them for their goals/mission.
• 2010 a book came out called “Academically Adrift.” Message is students do nothing and professors do nothing. Same authors have written another book called Aspiring Adults Adrift by, Erim and Roscoe. The impact of this book remains to be seen but may prove interesting.

Meeting adjured at 1:40

Troy W. Pritt