Associate/Assistant Graduate Deans Council Meeting
October 29, 2024
2:00 – 4:00 pm
College of Pharmacy, CLS 110

The AAGDC Meeting was held on Tuesday, October 29, 2024, at 2:00 pm in CLS 110 in the College of Pharmacy.

Present: Drs. Angela Baum, Daniel Jenkins, Dale Moore, Doug Pittman, Ben Roth, Stephen Shapiro, Angelina Sylvain, Kim Thompson, Paul Toriello, Jack Turner, Tracey Weldon, Ann Vail, and Holly Gentry

Announcements

- Holly Gentry was introduced. She is working with Angelina Sylvain on the System's Optimization Task Force and Strengthening Ambitions initiative.
- 3MT is being held on November 8th and 29 entries. Need to see how we can increase participation.
- Searching for the Director of Professional Development. Currently, we have 17 applicants. Would like to get this position filled quickly.
- Working on the position description for the Assistant Dean of Information Technology. We need to have somebody on board to work with the strengthening admissions initiative.
- We are working to fill Murray Mitchell's position. One concession that may be made is to create 2 half-time positions. Some concerns and discussion were:
    - Funding 2 positions vs 1 – cost.
    - Do we have any halftime deans/associate deans in your colleges?
    - Working 50% Graduate School and 50% still in their college. Complicating factors for the home unit.
    - It would be difficult having 2 different people in the role. Feels like it is not cohesive, and communication will be difficult. Communication between the two may be difficult if they have a part-time position in another college that does not give them time to communicate.
    - Half time job would ultimately become a full-time job.

- o After much discussion, the AAGDC did not feel that this might have some challenges and concerns.

Systems Optimization Task Force update

- Three campus demonstrations of the admissions system under consideration. These demos will be recorded for those that are not able to attend.
  - o November 4th, 10-11:30 a.m. - Element 451. This is the only software vendor system that is not currently on our campus or used by anyone on our campus.
  - o November 6th, 2-3:30 pm - Liaison CAS – Target X. Has 2 different platforms, one for the application, one for the main enrollment management process.
  - o November 7th, 10-11:30 a.m. – Slate. Uses a 3rd party provider that provides slate service.
  - o November 12th, 1-2:00 p.m. - Community Forum discussion and feedback regarding the 3 systems.
  - o Vendor finalists will be selected by the Systems Optimization Task Force at the end of October.

Strengthening Graduate Admissions Initiative

- Will be looking at Admission Requirement at the Graduate Director's meeting on Thursday, October 31st to discuss the following items:
  - o Admission Requirements
  - o What kind of students do we want?
  - o What is our goal?
  - o What are we trying to achieve in the type of applicant that we select?
  - o What are the requirements for admissions?
  - o Language of Admissions requirements, criteria, and standard.

Next Meeting: November 26, 2024, 2:00 – 4:00 pm, College of Pharmacy, CLS 110

Minutes by Cherrie Markey