

# Deans Council Minutes 9-18-08

## Deans' Council Minutes September 18, 2008

Present: R. Dible, J. Hughey, D. Bever, J. Wellington, S. Sarratore, P. Swails, S. Sciame-Giesecke, S. Hendricks (for L. Wallace)

1. Strategic Plan Implementation: Deans were given a printout of just the strategic plan items that pertain to Academic Affairs units. They were asked to look over the plan and give Vice Chancellor Sarratore any input they would like to contribute. Some of the items touched on were:
  - We have many articulations with Ivy Tech, rather than a single "Compact."
  - What are our plans in terms of activities to focus on recruitment for minority students?
    - Need to improve scheduling
  - Add an applied learning component to curriculums that could benefit from improved student engagement
  - Sue could make a presentation on the final report of effectiveness of freshman learning communities
  - Catherine Barnes in charge of recruiting minority students. Need to find minority student recruitment activities and see what is on the calendar. Minority enrollment is up.
    - Add Catherine Barnes to agenda of a future meeting
  - Get data on stop-out students in all units. Involve all units and general studies. Fred has had good success.
  - Need funding for ACCEL development of courses. Should have consistent general education requirements for all programs. Need to chart out what our degrees look like.
  - Need comments from units on what kind of engagement activities you have in your units. Students who feel connected tend to stay.
    - NSSE – Sharon will talk to a future meeting of Academic Council
  - What partnerships should we be involved with? Please give VC Sarratore input on the strategic report.
2. Search procedures – VC Sarratore will review advertising procedures. It is costing more than it needs to. We need to have a link for available positions on the front page of our web site.
3. Enrollment figures – headcounts and credit hours are down. Need to look at turning numbers around. Need to put recruitment and retention plans in place this year.
4. Discussed advising restructuring. Need equitable distribution of advising funds.
5. HLC Update – no discussion
6. CUPA- classification data has been received from most departments

7. Partnership Possibilities – Interim Chancellor Green has talked to Ron Sloan at Ivy Tech Marion. Several possible collaborations have been forwarded to select IUK Deans for follow up.
8. Linda will set up monthly individual meetings with all of the deans.
9. A. Announcements – Dr. Wellington announced that Business has 9 applications for the Dean’s position and 2 of them look good.  
B. Pat Swails urged getting the advising situation taken care of ASAP.

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