

Deans Council

September 24, 2009

Present: Sciame-Giesecke, Parkison, Wallace, Stroman, Boschmann, Hakes, Hughey, Wellington, Armstrong, Dible, Saam

1. NCATE – Julie Saam reported that we met all six standards of the Accreditation team. VC Sciame-Giesecke commented on the great job Julie and her colleagues had done.
2. Saam also discussed a new state law that went into effect July 1 requiring teachers have a background check every year. Some schools require an expanded background check and some don't. Costs also vary. Nursing and Allied Health are using Certifiedbackground.com. They will register our students on a list so that faculty can verify students' enrollment. The students get a badge they can wear that shows they have been certified. Julie will write a letter to the schools letting them know IU Kokomo is using Certifiedbackground.com for our students. We need Eva to check and see if we can get a discount if all departments use this vendor.
3. Campus Strategic Plan—Erv Boschmann went over the Campus Strategic Plan and shared some items that he felt needed to be changed or updated. He passed out a hand-out outlining his thoughts on future goals related to setting goals for publications, grants, awards, etc.
4. Kathy Parkison is going to send out a monthly newsletter on faculty research publications. Kathy will need the deans help in identifying faculty accomplishments. We would like faculty volunteers to work on a faculty research forum and to help Kathy with the newsletter. At our next meeting we will identify 3-4 strategic goals that we can all work on together. We will also invite Jack to meet at our next meeting to discuss the enrollment plan and then invite Stuart to the following meeting to share our plans.
5. Emergency Action Plan – will send out
6. Summer school article – We need to be innovative and creative with summer school course offerings. We could have workshops and other events on campus for students. We need to start having conversations on what we can offer to students.
7. Life Cycle Replacement – What does work and what doesn't work well? What things should be covered that are not? Send any comments to VC Giesecke.
8. We are short on advisers. We have 230 more students than we have advisers for. We are trying to see how we can reallocate time internally.
9. Sung Shin – Student exchange for January has been postponed. We will send our students in May, 2010. Karla Stouse, Donna McLean, and Kathy Parkison are taking the lead on this

exchange. Start thinking about sending ten students to Korea in May. There will be a 1 credit hour prerequisite course required. Students wanting to go must sign up for this course. Faculty will craft some experiences for students coming here.

10. Freshman Learning Communities – Kathy Parkison – We are examining grades in the Learning Communities to see what kind of workshops and small group activities we can set up to help these students. Students who stopped coming to LC classes – what are they doing? Are they coming back?
11. H1N1 shots will be given on three week-ends in November at IU Kokomo. Should we have activities set that children can do?
12. FACET –We need nominations for the award. We also need nominations for system-wide awards.

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