

Minutes
Administrative Council - College of Education and Behavioral Sciences
Thursday, May 24, 2007 – 9:30 a.m.
Dean's Conference Room, Tate Page Hall

Present: Evans, Norman, Poe, Daniel, Fiene, Haggbloom, Hughey, Lich, Metze, Mikovch, Powell, Powers. Provost Barbara Burch, Dean Kahler, Richard Bowker, Robert Cobb, and Tuesdi Helbig were guests.

Salary information has been received, and Dr. Evans will be working individually with department heads. Also, additional funds are available if anyone has a need for something.

Cliff Todd has confirmed that he wants to move away from a focus on aging and gerontology to a focus on healthful living. It is expected that the President will call a meeting on this in the near future. Therefore, we need to line out our plans, as this change will impact the College.

A meeting with the architects was held yesterday. Ms. Bryant will be working with unit heads to schedule individual meetings on June 13. With the possibility of insufficient funding to purchase furnishings for the new building, Dr. Evans will attempt to garner additional funds where possible. Dr. Burch agreed that she will approve allowing those funds to be carried forward.

The announcement was made that Dean Kahler has been selected for the position as Vice President for Enrollment Management effective June 1.

Dr. Burch began by saying that today's discussion will center around where the College sits in terms of what is happening at the University and at the state. The University's funding model will come from a business plan directed toward "doubling the numbers" relative to enrollment. She noted that in looking at trend data, degree production and enrollments have declined in the College more than any other in the University. This data needs to be studied in order to decide how to address the decline.

Mr. Cobb spent a considerable amount of time discussing the College data which had been distributed. The report contained detailed information on student credit hour production and enrollments within the College and compared to other colleges. As a part of that discussion, Dr. Burch asked that a position paper be drafted by Dr. Fiene for submission to the legislature relative to our needs and concerns. She indicated that policy issues need to be brought to the table, and cost effective plans should be developed. New programs should demonstrate that there is a need and that it is being met. Her intent for this discussion was to bring issues before the Council members so that they can be addressed in the business plan. She also asked that everyone be creative in determining our needs and how to address them.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Cathie Bryant, Secretary