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Steering Committee Meeting
Tuesday, January 28, 2020
Student Activities Conference Room, Student Center

Present: Michelle Behr, Dave Roberts, Jennifer Goodnough, Kari Adams, Ted Pappenfus,
LeAnn Dean, Lindsey Roemeling, Tim Lindberg,

Absent: Sam Rosemark

Minutes from 11.26.19 approved as presented. Minutes from 12.9.19 approved as presented with one abstention.

Recommendations from Ad Hoc Committee on Committee Reallocations.

Ted would like to discuss the recommendations and decide how to proceed. Jenn wondered what our process would look like if we want to change the criteria, specifically criteria for the Scholar of the College. It would be easier if we have a plan in place before the conversation begins and she thinks we should identify the process now. It seems like the Consultative Committee might be the logical place before anything is presented at Campus Assembly. Tim wondered if we divide these awards to their new "homes" who will oversee the overarching compiling of information? Even though Conferences and Special Events is the logical place, do they want to take on the roll of managing the awards and what if there is a problem or complaint with the process? Michelle suggested that committees come to Steering if they want to change the criteria and Steering would decide how to proceed. Ted will communicate with Barbara that Steering or Consultative could address guideline or policy changes.

LeAnn asked what happens after this is presented at Campus Assembly. Jenn responded that Steering would bring forward for a vote. Dave added he would like to have the division chairs review the Scholar of the College nominations as a group. Historically, inconsistencies happen between the four divisions and interdivisional balance has been a concern in the past.

Finalized agenda for February 4, 2020 Campus Assembly.

Request from faculty member about the mics at Campus Assembly

Ted received the following message:

The microphones continue to be a problem in the Assembly. People should not need to go to the front of the room to comment. Many simply won't invade that space.

I believe a solution would be to have members of the Steering Committee in the back of the room who would bring people mics. Then people sitting internally to a row could still ask questions.

Ted will contact IT to determine how many mics are available. Ideally, we would have two in the front and two roaming mics. Members of Steering will handle the roaming mics. Michelle will make an announcement at the beginning of the Assembly meeting about the mics.

Extending invitations to individuals who do not routinely attend Campus Assembly

Ted will send an email to those who have been removed from Campus Assembly and have chosen not to be reinstated.

EDA Pilot Program Update

Ted reported that Heather Peters asked to be on the agenda for the last Campus Assembly meeting of the semester to formally adopt the EDA program. He responded that Steering would need a proposal and a motion from the committee. Tim noted that this would be a Constitutional change. If there are enough Constitutional changes, Jenn wondered if a small group should review the Constitution and prepare a motion for Constitutional changes at the first meeting in the fall. Changes that we're aware of now include Scholastic Committee, fall out from committee reorganization and EDA. After some discussion, members of Steering did not think that was necessary.

Jenn suggested it might be a good idea for Membership to have a list of EDAs as they begin populating committees. Ted will reach out the chair of Membership.

Strategies for getting campus governance minutes to the Digital Well

LeAnn mentioned that not all committee minutes have been posted to the digital well. Ted will send a message to current committee chairs.

Announcements

Steering discussed the MCSA resolutions. Tim asked that we keep in mind that sometimes we have too much to address at the end of the semester and everything seems to get piled up. Ted will respond to Sam and ask MCSA to focus on the Resolution on Affordable and Sustainable Courses first.

Adjourned at 12:40 pm.