Regional Campuses Faculty Affairs Council
Agenda
April 9, 2021
10:00-Noon (via TEAMS)

Attendees: Blasiman, Dever, Jones, Dever, Osikiewicz, Robinson, Smith,
Absent: Erritouni
Guest: VP Shadduck

Minutes taken by: Dever

- Approval of Agenda
  - Smith made motion
  - Blasiman seconded
  - Vote to approve: 7 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

- Approval of March 12, 2021 Minutes
  - Jones made motion as is
  - Dever seconded
  - Call to consent

- Vice President for Kent State System Integration's Report
  - VP Shadduck spoke
    - New hires: 1. Administrative Assistant to VP Shadduck. Interviews are currently taking place. 2. Assistant/Associate Dean for CATS (new position) 3. Project Coordinator (refill position)
    - Office space: Creating a space on the Kent campus for regional faculty to use when on the Kent campus. Feedback was asked for elements most essential for regional faculty when they are on Kent campus.
      - Robinson: Regional campuses should have a presence on the Kent campus. Possibly a lounge nearby VP office where regional campus faculty can hang out. VP Shadduck stated that her office will be near President’s circle of offices so it is unlikely the regional campus lounge would be next to her office.
      - Robinson: Will VP Shadduck have an office on each campus? Not really. Asking for a space she can use to be set up but not an exclusive office.
      - Jones: The hope is to have more meetings with the Kent campus virtually as the new year begins. Having a space with the technology to meet with regional faculty who can't make the meeting would be helpful. Possibly a projector we can hook up with our laptops to present with.
      - Dever: Finding work space in each department building would be helpful. Some faculty are unlikely to go to library between meetings but having some work space in their respective building. VP Shadduck stated she would be willing to bring up the topic with College Deans about finding some flexible office
space for those who are not housed on the Kent campus. She will also discuss with them about ensuring that meetings, programs have a virtual option for faculty to join remotely.

- Campus Visits: VP Shadduck is beginning to do campus visits. Her hope is to be on a regional campus 2 times a week. Ideally, she wants to engage in more “walkabouts” to learn the culture of each campus.
- Regional Dean teaching expectation: It was made known that all regional deans should be teaching at least one course, possibly FYE. VP Shadduck won’t be doing it immediately and is looking for feedback on how she should be able to engage in regional campuses through her teaching.
  - Robinson: FYE would help with non-traditional students by teaching it remote. It would include students from all campuses.
- Certificates and micro-credentials: They will be one of her highest priorities.
- Regional messaging: Focus will be made on getting out message to why regionals matter. This is also on the top of her list of getting done in the next few months.

**Chair’s Report**
- NTT Representation and the TT CBA
  - Reminder: We should be involving NTT in committees including faculty council.
- University Committees survey update
  - Several colleges are taking care of the representation of regional faculty on college committees.
  - Carol will draft an email soliciting nominations for committees. Chairs should send out to faculty and bring names to May 2021 meeting. We will vote in May and then forward names to colleges.
- Provost Advisory Council Report
  - VP Enrollment and Management- See notes below.
  - SSIs-Spring 2021 SSIs use for merit and RPT has not been decided yet.
- Course Load Lifts Issue
  - Inconsistent giving of load lift for load lifts (i.e. for program coordinator) across all campuses
  - VP Shadduck will add it to her list to discuss with regional deans
    - Asked for a specific proposal to bring to the deans
    - Robinson: She is willing to work on drafting something but asked for someone to help
    - Smith: Asked for more quantitative data on what each campus is doing before we can draft a proposal.
    - Osikiewicz- This should be an issue that involves strengthening our handbooks and make the description of load lift eligibility clearer.
    - Robinson- Bring to May meeting a copy of the load lift section of our handbook and the conversation will continue.
• **Other Business/Discussions**
  - May 14th Meeting
    - Meeting is moved to May 7th from 10-12.
    - Carol will send out Teams invite to new chairs
    - Outgoing chairs should send new chairs’ email information to Carol
    - Votes will be made for new RCFAC chair
  - Query Regarding the Status of Officers for 2021-2022 Faculty Councils
    - 4 campuses are outgoing
  - Fall R.C. Conference
    - Issue is tabled until new chairs come onboard.

• **New Business/Announcements**
  - Robinson shared an upcoming event on peace. Flyers will be coming out next week.

• **Old Business**
  - None

• **Adjourned**
SEM Outcomes

- Become a Student Ready College
- Develop an optimal enrollment plan that focuses on academic program alignment, net tuition growth and student aid optimization
- Understand curricular/program needs with student/market demand
- Strengthen university brand with internal and external stakeholders to improve market position
- Enhance and diversify financial position
- Improve data efficiencies and enhance technology support to increase student success
- Reduce complexity and gain greater efficiencies
- Enhance the student experience throughout the lifecycle
- Increase access and completion
- Improve post enrollment metrics