

Minutes - Dean's Council
March 28, 2018

1. Dean's Updates and Approval of Minutes

In midst of hiring Director of Graduate Admissions.

Diversity Office Search: Inviting candidates to campus.

Offers to new faculty underway.

Lots to accomplish with Dean's Council - meetings will be streamlined

Plan retreat at end of semester for broader planning and transition with the new Dean's Council members.

2. Approving back minutes and getting them posted on the web

Discussion about content and process for minutes from 2017-18 academic year; goal is for all minutes to be ready for approval and posting by April 4.

3. Academic Policy Changes: Transfer Credit Policy (see document in folder)
(Ryan Hinrichs)

This will be moved to next week's DC meeting.

4. Update about program development plan for CLA (Ryan)

This will be moved to next week's DC meeting.

5. CRUE Division meetings

DC reps provided preliminary feedback. Next steps: get feedback on plan from Divisions to work on next draft. Stressed that this is an exploratory document for discussion, not a decided plan with immediate intent to implement. Some pieces- like the existence of a Center - will move forward, but other components are presented for discussion, such as how that happens and what components will look like, such as gen ed, which must be voted on by the faculty.

Nevertheless also time pressure for some type of reform, to make us distinctive in the market.

Note that items not in CRUE platform not eliminated (for example, will still prepare students for graduate school -- document focuses on new plans/processes/programs)

Many different iterations of gen ed discussed -- this presents one version to start discussion

Members of CRUE will come to division meetings; feedback will come back through Division reps on Dean's Council as well as through the CRUE members at those meetings; faculty will have the opportunity to offer feedback directly via the CRUE

website. Meetings with other faculty and staff/groups of faculty and staff can certainly happen as needed and requested.

Discussion of size of administration and cost of administration. Financial data will be discussed by the president in next faculty meeting.

Special faculty meeting will be scheduled to talk about CRUE, where there will be some summary given re. the feedback received from various conversations and meetings, and to continue the conversation.

Discussion of impact on small departments.

6. Moving forward on load conversation

Lisa Brenner - email and proposal (see folder)

This will be moved to the agenda for 4/4; conversation about CRUE lasted much of the meeting. DC members should review this before the next meeting, as well as additional information Deb will provide. Next meeting will start at 12 PM to allow for more time for discussion.

7. Need to continue with open slots for appointed committees.