University-Wide Impact Committee Minutes 09/11/14


Absent: D. Fairchild, Y. Gebremariam

I. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 9:37 am (quorum reached). L. Keenan ran the meeting until K. Kruczek came back from UCF at 10:10.

II. New Business
a. Introductions
b. Waiver of Electives for Education and Nursing majors
   • L. Keenan will receive credit requirements for each major and distribute to UCF Steering Committee
   • UWIC will ask representatives from the Education and Nursing to come to a future meeting to discuss their feelings about removing electives.

c. 120 credit limit for degree programs
   • The BOR will be presenting the 120-credit limit on degrees to the legislature. It seems the legislature will fully agree.
   • Ideas to Consider
     o Perhaps departments need to argue for college readiness background credits. Once those are satisfied, the remainder of the degree needs to be within 120 credits.
     o Perhaps ill-prepared students could be on probation within the major until the prerequisites are met, and they are ready for the full 120-credit major.
     o Departments could produce curriculum maps that show the 120-credit program and the requisite prep content that needs to be completed prior to admittance to the major. Departments could also define college readiness for their majors.
     o Universities need to make high schools aware of what universities consider “college readiness.”
     o UWIC and the other bodies need to get out in front of this by developing position statements describing majors credits, credit exemptions, etc.
     o We need to clarify what is meant by free electives, prerequisite, developmental credits.
     o Faculty needs to have a position statement signed by the majority of faculty.
     o Perhaps a probationary status could be defined, and students
would pay less than full tuition for the classes needed to be ready for entering the major.

- If LEPC decides to modify the LEP, UWIC would like to express their ideas on this revision.
- Creating a longer preparatory program for under-prepared students may be more effective. In particular, a program lasting longer than one semester was suggested.

d. Draft language for students pursuing a 2nd Bachelor’s Degree
   - K. Kruczek will find out more information about what the general admission and credit requirements for students pursuing a 2\textsuperscript{nd} bachelor’s degree (after receiving a bachelor’s degree from another accredited institution) are.
   - K. Kruczek will edit the language drafted last year by UWIC concerning this issue.

e. For Fall 2014 only, allow returning SCSU students to follow the program plan that best fits what they had completed.
   - There was a suggestion to make this true for all students “until further notice.”
   - This will be discussed at later meetings.

III. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Kruczek. S. Graves took minutes while K. Kruczek was in NMC.