Executive Leadership Committee
Wednesday, November 15, 3:00-4:30pm
HPNP Room 4102
Summary

Present: Dr. M. Perri, Dr. S. Hanson, Ms. A. Burne, Dr. A. Mainous, Dr. W. McGehee (for Dr. K. Vandenborne), Dr. K. Vandenborne, Dr. S. Nittrouer, Dr. P. Qiu, Dr. S. Classen, Dr. G. Smith, Dr. G. Hack, Dr. V. Mai, Dr. S. Liang (on behalf of Dr. T. Sabo-Attwood), Ms. J. Pease, Ms. L. Toth, Ms. L. Guidi

1. Action items follow-up
   a. Teacher-Scholar and Lecturer Positions – The chairs reported updates on the progress for the teacher-scholar positions. Of the 11 total positions in process, there are 10 positions posted or in progress and 1 lecturer position (in HSRMP) that has been signed. AP: An update on progress for this will be requested during each ELC.

2. Development update – Dr. Perri announced that Lindsey Stevens will be leaving at the end of December. Anna Harper will be her interim replacement. The College has exceeded the Capital Campaign goal set for the current year.

3. Instructional design update – Dr. Hack reported that Canvas has launched a photo roster tool that faculty may add to their course menu. This tool allows faculty to see students’ photos. There is a quick online tutorial available that faculty may access.

4. Faculty Council update – Dr. Mai reported that Faculty Council members are available for inquiries as the Faculty Incentive Letters are distributed.

5. Staff Council update – Ms. Toth reported that the Staff Council has created a draft of the Staff Survey which is in process for approval. It will be submitted to the ELC members for their review.

6. Media update – Ms. Pease reported that Dr. Robert Cook has been in the news regarding his study on how medicinal marijuana affects patients with HIV. This has been picked up by state and local media, medicinal marijuana publications, and VICE media. Dr. John Lednicky was interviewed by Science news on his bird flu study. A paper by Dr. David Cheng was accepted by the National Cancer Institute. Dr. Chen was also asked to participate in a podcast based on that study. Dr. Cate Price was involved in a news release regarding a digital tool to help identify older adults at risk for post-surgical cognitive problems.

7. Administrative update – Dr. Perri
   a. Dr. Perri reported an update from the Provost’s meeting on graduate student stipends. There is a focus on increasing the stipends so the University can be competitive nationally. The focus for the coming year is those students who have a teaching stipend funded in part or fully by state funds. Graduate students in this category must have a .5 FTE.
b. The University currently tracks first time college students through their first 5 semesters and warns them when they are off track. This has increased graduation rates significantly. There is discussion of extending these warnings to all 4 years of college.

c. The University is discussing a change to the block tuition model. The model currently would encourage students to take 15 credit hours per semester, but two bills before the legislature have been proposed to set block tuition to 30 credits for one year allowing students to take 6 credits during the summer.

d. The University is ahead of schedule for the Go Greater campaign.

8. Announcements
   a. Dr. Vandenborne reported that PT has 1600 applicants to the DPT program. They have formed a committee to create a plan as to how to review the increase in applications. Dr. Perri shared that the college’s booth at APHA won 3rd place for exhibit, the reception had close to 100 attendees, and there was a very good turnout of alumni and students. Dr. Smith reported that CHP is working on becoming modernized by limiting the use of paper. With help from Dr. Hack, they will be moving forward digitally with the Canvas software. Ms. Burne asked that academic staff pay close attention to posting information correctly for GA’s in PeopleSoft so that it is consistent with the collective bargaining agreement. Dr. Classen reported that the combined degree program from BHS to OTD was approved and is on to the next step in the process. Dr. Hanson asked that the chairs encourage faculty and program directors to reach out to the students this week to remind the students of support available during the holiday. Dr. Hanson requested the chairs send a list of faculty who are working on service or research activities internationally who could be included in the 60th anniversary gala program. This list should be sent by Friday 11-17-17. Drs. Hanson and Hack are launching the first two modules of the Teaching Excellence Program: learning objectives and syllabi. The Faculty & Staff Holiday Lunch is scheduled for Thursday December 7, 2017 at 11:30 am in the Reitz Union. Chairs will need to introduce new employees at this luncheon. The ELC Retreat is scheduled for Friday December 1, 2017.