Academic Advising Coordinating Council

Friday, September 20, 2013

315 New College

In attendance were Ellen Martin, Laura Dowd, Judy Iakovou, Jennifer Patrick, Cindy Daniel, Misha Boyd, Anna Hiers, Christie Sanders, Rose Tahash, Amber Rayborn, Matthew Head, Diane Miller, Paul Welch, Heather McEachern, Martin Rogers, Steven Honea, Julie Segrest, Maggie Blanton, Jason Emond, Kelsey Marcero, Michael Cabe, Rhonda Kilpatrick, Diana Fruth, Donna Mitchell, Evonne Jones, Laura Jolly, Fiona Liken, Carol Roberts, Joanna Warren, and Hunt Revell

Laura Dowd called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

Heather McEachern announced that the College of Public Health will be moving to the Health Sciences campus beginning Tuesday, October 1st.

Paul Welch moved to approve the minutes of the April meeting of the AACC. The motion was seconded, and the minutes were approved.

Laura Dowd reminded the Council of the current plan for schools and colleges to be gathering survey data this fall for reporting in spring 2014. This will continue on the same schedule every other year (fall 2015).

The Fall Workshop will be held on Friday, November 22nd. Registration will be late October/early November. There will be presentations from Banner and the Office of Institutional Diversity. Steer new advisors toward Training and Development classes for more direct advisor-related development. The Spring Workshop will coincide with the NACADA Drive-In Conference.

Kelsey Marcero and Michael Cabe were in attendance to hear feedback and answer questions regarding New Student Orientation. Transfer student orientation for Spring 2014 will be held on December 4th (reading day). January 2nd and 3rd will be a mixed transfer and regular undergraduate orientation. Getting rosters will be the same as in the past, though Banner may provide an option for downloadable forms. Early advising for transfer and other undergraduates students is an option, but these students cannot be cleared to register early. Data from 2013 summer orientation shows that students want more advising time at orientation and more one-on-one time with an advisor. Concerns were also raised that students do not get enough time or space at the Majors Fair.

Jason announced that transfer articulation in Banner should be and look the same, course changes should be the same, and that plus and minus credit will now transfer. International agreements are also in the works.

July Iakovou announced the new Tau Sigma Transfer Honor Society, the first and only transfer student-only honor society, which requires a 3.5 gpa in the first semester at UGA for membership. There is a one-time $50 fee.

Diane Miller clarified that advisors will have the ability to make POM/POD designations in Banner.

There was another discussion on the Minor completion and deletion process. Sometimes completion forms are handled by departments, whereas deletion forms are handled by a student’s college. It was clarified that minor-related forms can be processed while courses are still in-progress. A subcommittee sign-up sheet was passed around and has now been emailed to members. Jennifer Patrick
discussed her idea for a Retention Subcommittee. Since OVPI is working with national and state retention and progression initiatives, it was recommended that this group coordinate with and not duplicate the work already being done.

The NACADA Drive-In Conference is scheduled for Friday, May 16, 2014. There will be 16 presentations. Submissions can be made via Qualtrics from November 1-January 15th. Registration opens in February. The price will be $50 for everyone, $60 for late registration, neither of which includes parking. The title of the conference is “Classic Advising in the Modern Age”.

Dr. Jolly announced that she was pleased to hear the range of agenda items and is happy to continue supporting the group in whatever manner possible. OVPI has launched a new website that will contain an updated section for advisors and for students seeking advising help. Rose announced that the College of Environment and Design will host a visitation day on October 18th from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Jackson Street Building. Maggie announced that peer-tutoring information flyers are available to all who would like them. There is a new drop-in tutoring for Chemistry lab students from 6-9 pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays in Milledge Hall. Diane announced that ADPR 5990, a Grady service course in managing online profiles, is open to all students. The CURO Research Symposium will be held March 31-April 1st (Mon/Tues). The Division of Academic Enhancement is hiring a Program Coordinator II position for the Freshman College experience. Future presentations for AACC may include pre-med coordinator and MCAT changes, as well as recovering alcoholic and addict resources.