Undergraduate Advising Council

Thursday, January 21, 2016

3:30-4:30 pm, 240 Rinker Hall

Minutes

Dana Myers, UAC Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:30pm

Approval of November Minutes: Approved

Introduction of UAC Student Representative

Dana Myers introduced Eni Laska, new UAC Student Representative. Eni is excited to get started and looking forward to her new role.

UAC Operating Code Revisions – Dana Myers

Dana clarified that not many revisions were needed. Most of the updates were intended to clean up awkwardness in wording. Revised election of officer's information, removed redundancy regarding elections in March. Added Advising Certification position to steering committee. **Vote:** Approved

AP/IB/Dual Enrollment BOG concerns – Dana Myers

Dana discussed with everyone the concerns the BOG has regarding the potential restriction of AP/IB/DE credits. A reminder to all departments that credits can't be restricted. Departments are encouraged to check policies; check wording in catalog, websites, etc. to ensure compliance.

COMPASS update – Toby Shorey and Dan Hodges

The transition to new UF systems is underway but will take time. One UF has now been available for over a year, rolled out first to HR. The continued roll out will be slow and rolled out in phases. The ISIS name reference is being removed as the roll out continues. Webinars will be offered as new systems are ready to be pushed to service. Additional information will be shared at the Advisors Conference. Main rebranding push is set for February 19th.

Committee Reports:

Communications – Kenneth Foote

Kenneth updated that a new blog post was in development and should be published sometime after the advisors workshop.

Professional Development - Allison Gatsche

Allison reminded everyone about the upcoming Advising Conference at Emerson Hall on the 5th. Advisors from both UF and SFC would be attending. John Spence would be the keynote speaker. Allison was actively tracking registration. Any questions regarding the even can be directed to Allison.

Advising Certificate - Deb Mayhew

Deb reminded everyone to update her should they attend any professional development events.

Campus Affairs Committee – Joel Parker

Joel was not able to be at the meeting, no update at this time.

UAC Elections – Dana Myers

Dana reminded everyone that elections would be coming up soon for all committee positions including Chair. New involvement is encouraged. Any nominations may be sent to Dana.

Other Business/Announcements

Student Government Rep Discussion Update - Dana Myers and Allison Gatsche

Dana and Allison discussed some of the concerns that were presented regarding the availability of advisors during heavy times. Reasons for what may impact the availability of advisors during peak times were discussed. Questions were raised regarding the availability of chat advising sessions UF Online already uses LNC for advising sessions. An article was recommended for a future undergraduate student newsletter to debunk myths about advisors. Perhaps an article about advisors on campus to help humanize advisors to encourage open and honest connections with students around campus.

Dana closed the meeting at 4:30pm

Meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Thursday of the month, 3:30-4:30 pm, in 240 Rinker Hall; 12/17. If your schedule permits, please take advantage of the opportunity to socialize with colleague after the meeting.