Undergraduate Advising Council Minutes

June 15, 2009

Attendees: Erica Byrnes, Janna Underhill, Andrew Wehle, Theresa Vernetson, Deborah Mayhew, Sarah Eberhart, Karen Cody, Glenn Kepic, Ken Foot, Marcia Mcleod, Wayne McCormack, Mary Kay Schneider Carodine, Keith Carodine, Judy Travis, Kevin Reilly, Mary Ann Hagler, Rick Bryant, Henery Anderson, Robin Rossie, Mae Kiggin, Sallie Schattner, Roxanne Barnett, Kari Ward, Andrew Wehle, Greg Champion, Liz Kazungu, Ann Becks, Vikvam Shishodic, Ptiyanka Raut

Committee Reports:

Communications Committee (Kari Ward):

- The E- newsletter will be published next week
- The format will be that of a blog to get information out including feedback and articles. The blog will be housed with Google.
- Writers needed (Advisors Topic)
- The blog will showcase useful websites
- The results of the college research identified some interesting advising information: 11 Colleges -3 centralized, 4 decentralized (by major) and 4 combined.
- The Survey of Advisors will provide some additional insight into the communication needs of the advising community

Campus Affairs- Jeff Citty

- No major announcements

Professional Development: Glenn Kepic

- 35 Advisors have taken survey
- Please encourage colleagues to complete the survey
- Link error, just copy and paste

Professional Development Workshop has Provost/Budget Approval

- New committee needed to set up conference
- Date set: September 11, 2009
- Need a Venue
- Sara Mock and Theresa Vernetson volunteered to be on the planning committee

Financial Aid - Ron Anderson

Changes in Bright Futures (Task Force)

- No longer 75% and 100%
- Set dollar amount or \$126 per credit for Gold Seal recipients and \$95 per credit for Medallion

- Affects all incoming and current students
 Renewal Requirements are still at the end of spring
- 3.0 Gold Seal
- 2.75 Medallion
 - Students MUST earn 24 credit hours in Fall/Spring, previously 12 credit hours.

Each dropped course MUST be repaid the University. Fails/Unsatisfactory graded students do NOT have to repay course but will not meet the 24 credit hour requirement for the year.

There will be appeals for students who have to drop a class due to medical reasons.

- LOTS OF QUESTIONS
- Residency- students' parents must reside in state.

Exploratory Committee Presentation: Liz Kazungu & Greg Champion (Liberal Arts and Sciences Advisors)

- Goals
- Current Practices
- Outreach students through workshops, semester newsletter, face book groups, e-mails and FYF website which is being updated.
- Tips
- Future Plans are to have more collaboration within UF Advisors through workshops, bulletin boards, etc. Also referrals through CRC.
- Newsletter Submission needed 3 weeks before the semester to promote major, at least half a page.
- 1200-1500 Exploratory Students right now.
- Tracking is vital. To help, Workshop Success Series: Exploratory

Best Practices Session (Fall)

The UAC members in attendance brainstormed about possible best practice sessions to address at future meetings:

- Processing specific types of paperwork
- Preview processing presentations relating to different student groups
- Probation and pre-probation
- Degree Certification
- Transfer admissions
- Planning for alternate options major choices
- *HOT TOPIC: Withdrawal processes/procedures financial aid office

- Changes in the drop policy
- Technology in advising
- At risk students, AIM 1st gen, should we notify instructions
- Effective feedback strategies for advising appts. e.g. surveys... etc
- Training new advisors
- Involvement in the "A" team, follow up discussions

College Department Reports

PREVIEW

- Guide to majors are located at Dean of Students office
- High School AA Session, Monday and Tuesday
- Transfer Preview 330 on June 26, 300 in July and in August
- Last minute, Summer B, next Friday
- Lifting Preview Holds

NEW ADVISORS- CLAS

- Kris Klann UF Grad
- Kelly Batouyios Clemson University Grad

Division of Continuing Education

- Will soon offer test prep for GMAT, GRE, LSAT. More information www.conferences.dce.ufl.edu
- Starts in August
- Strategy workshops for FREE in student union. 2 hour session.

Business

- Jennifer Olson leaving to Washington State
- ECO will be 4 credits in the Fall
- New minor, Information Systems (12 credits)

Next Meeting is July 27, 2009. Stuzin 200 at 3:00p.m. - 5:00p.m.