

Deans Council Minutes
February 1, 2016
1:30 PM
Presidents Conference Room, Lee Hall

In attendance: Julia Hodges, Richard Blackbourn, Lori Bruce, Frances Coleman, John Dickerson, Greg Dunaway, Anastasia Elder, George Hopper, Chris Snyder, Jason Keith, Brandon Jolly (for Joan Lucas), Kevin Rodgers (for Sharon Oswald), Mike Rackley, Peter Ryan, Kent Hoblet, Jim West, Tim Chamblee, Allison Pearson, Terry Dale Cruse

Others present: Diane Alexander, Lynn Reinschmiedt, Kari Babski-Reeves

Minutes taken by: Lecrisha Nail

1. Upon a motion by Dr. Richard Blackbourn and second by Dr. Sharon Oswald, the minutes of the January 11, 2016 meeting were approved unanimously with no edits. Agenda items were discussed:
2. Designated Funds Review – Diane Alexander
 - a. Dean Coleman was complimentary of Diane’s guidance on this
 - b. Dean Dunaway asked if the timing of the review was going to be the same next year since this is a busy time for his college
 - c. Diane would like to come up with a future plan for review of all designated accounts at budget time and welcomes any feedback
3. AOP 13.02 – Peter Ryan
 - a. Four year review of the policy
 - b. Recommendation from the Giles Professors to extend the years to qualify. Would change qualification from five years to ten years at full professor at MSU.
 - c. Dr. Hopper asked about the ten year requirement and that he recalled talking in the past about not having a large enough pool of candidates.
 - i. Dr. Pearson mentioned the importance of the contributions of professors while they are at MSU.
 - d. Dr. Dunaway mentioned that the policy should state that the Giles Professors are allowed to make recommendations.
 - e. Dr. Hopper recommends adding the word Giles to all distinguished professors referenced in the policy.
 - f. Four in favor of the revisions. Three opposed.
4. IRB Applications – Kari Babski-Reeves
 - a. Dr. Babski-Reeves handed out a flow chart that shows how the reviews occur with emphasis on the two-step approval process.
 - b. First review is done by HRPP staff to make sure all information is complete.
 - c. The second review is done by the IRB board member. This is a formal review of the actual work to be done and comparison of risks to benefits.
5. Budget Cuts
 - a. These are effective immediately, but it is not clear if they are permanent or temporary
 - b. MSU share of the cut is \$3,352,266.32. This is 1.7 percent of the overall state cut. MSU on and off campus share is \$1.9 million.
 - c. We are not sure yet how this will be accomplished or distributed. An email should go out this week from Dr. Keenum.
6. Faculty enhancement funds
 - a. A reminder that funds are available for minority hires.
 - b. This would be support for a minority hire for the first three years.

7. Update on searches
 - a. Associate VP of International Programs
 - i. Checking references for finalists and on-campus interviews will be soon.
 - b. Director of Center for Distance Education
 - i. Finalists' interviews are scheduled for this month
 - c. Vice President of Enrollment
 - i. Identifying finalists
 - d. Dr. Keenum is looking at how the chief diversity officer position is handled at other schools. After a decision is made, a search will begin.
8. Dr. Elder mentioned that faculty have been asking about when the compression notifications will be sent out. Dr. Hodges said she will double check but it will be soon.

Meeting adjourned at 2:11 p.m.