

**Dean's Council Minutes**  
**March 20, 2017**  
**1:30 PM**  
**Presidents Conference Room, Lee Hall**

Members Present: Judy Bonner(chair), Richard Blackburn, Lori Bruce, Tim Chamblee, Pat Matthes (for Frances Coleman), Terry Dale Cruse, Amy Adkerson (for John Dickerson), Brent Fountain, Kent Hoblet, Julia Hodges, George Hopper, Jason Keith, Joan Lucas, Sharon Oswald, Allison Pearson, Peter Ryan, Chris Snyder, Rick Travis, Jim West, Layton Little

Others Present: Lori Ball, Teresa Gammill, Mike Rackley, Susan Seal, Judy Spencer

Minutes Taken By: Dinah Jenkins

- I. Upon a motion by Richard Blackburn and second by Sharon Oswald, the August 15, September 19 and November 21, 2016 minutes were approved unanimously with no corrections.
- II. AOP 12.29 – Peter Ryan
  - a. AOP was tabled last summer for review.
  - b. Suggested edits AOP:
    - i. Insert comma for clarification on second bullet. A minimum of 2.5 on GPA on the required high school courses or standing in the top 50% of class, and a composite score of 16 or higher or equivalent SAT score.
    - ii. Add statement under Transfer Student Admission Requirements stating MSU-Meridian has the ability to concurrently admit the community college students in the partnership PATHWAY program.
    - iii. Delete references to the Undergraduate Admissions Policy Committee (UAPC) as they cannot change the admissions criteria of the University.
  - c. **Dr. Ryan moved the AOP be approved with the above edits; Sharon Oswald seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.**
- III. Complete to Compete – Peter Ryan
  - a. Complete to Compete is IHL initiative to encourage students that did not finish degree.
  - b. Program is broken into four target groups:
    - i. Former Adult Students eligible for reverse transfer of associate degrees with no additional coursework.
    - ii. Former Adult Students eligible for baccalaureate degrees with no addition coursework.
    - iii. Former Adult Students eligible with some college and no degree who may complete an associate’s degree with some additional course work.
    - iv. Former Adult Students with some college, no degree who may complete a bachelor’s degree with some additional course work.
  - c. IHL requested we look more intently at General Arts and BSIS programs, and the experiential learning and competency based criteria.
  - d. Will potentially develop an Assistance wide degree program that would accommodate this specific population of students with criteria the adult student would have to meet.
- IV. Other Items:
  - a. George Hopper reported CFR hosted 450 students from 24 universities at a SE Wildlife conclave over Spring Break; great recruiting for potential graduate school.
  - b. Lori Bruce reported she has just returned from India working with a university on project focused in Chemistry and Biochemistry with very good success.
  - c. Chris Snyder reported we have student that won the Fulbright Scholarship.
  - d. Jason Keith reported the Biomedical undergraduate degree is approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 PM.