A&P Council Meeting Agenda

November 12, 2019

Member Attendance: Rae Joyce Baguilat, John Cahill, Elizabeth Rodriguez, Amie Jatta, Christopher Maxwell

I. Call to Order / Approval of Minutes
   a. Motion to call to order by John, 2nd by Chris. Meeting began at 12:03 p.m.

II. Acting Vice Provost, Academic Affairs – Mark McKernin
   a. Idea for adjusting academic terms stemmed from issues experienced with amount of university closures in 2018-2019. Research showed that NEIU’s academic calendar is more diverse and flexible than other institutions. Suggestion was to make semesters an actual 16 weeks. Re-evaluation of the holiday breaks and aligning breaks with CPS calendar. Example of having a J-term is to utilize time for having developmental courses for students that need more opportunities to be prepared for 100 level courses. Efforts would not require re-examine of contracts or work terms for A&P employees. Currently, the model for J-term is in the proposition phase. A key inquiry from students about the J-term proposition is knowing what would be available during the term; especially if it could influence graduating sooner. Financial Aid would still be applicable as if being packaged for the Spring term. Approval of a J-term, if accepted by the university, would need to be reviewed by the HLC as well. Implementation of the J-term would be effective as early as Fall 2022 if accepted by the university.

III. Vice President, Student Affairs – Dr. Lopez
   a. Dr. Lopez was unavailable to attend.

IV. Chair’s Report
   a. Administrative Team Meeting

V. Committee Reports
   a. Board of Trustees
   b. UPBC Updates
   c. UAC Updates (meeting 11/15)
   d. Black Student Success
   e. Climate Study

VI. Old Business
   a. Onboarding of A&P
b. Bulletin Board

c. A&P to civil service reclassification

d. Professional Development/Mentoring

e. Grievance Process for A&P Employees & Pay Equity

f. Website updates
g. Constituents Survey/Communication

VII. New Business

a. Email constituents

b. A&P Council needs to conduct an open meeting before the semester ends. Suggestion was to make the next meeting a BYO lunch and share updates on efforts within A&P council and gather input on things members would like from the council.

VIII. Announcements

a. Next Board meetings

   I. Thurs. 11/14 – Board Meeting and Ad Hoc Committee @ CCICS

IX. Adjourn

a. Next meeting will be December 10th at 12 pm, C-330

   I. Motion to close meeting, 2nd by John. Closed at 1:10 p.m.