Faculty Advisory Committee to the President  
Agenda 10/17/22

I. President’s Topics for the Committee (TBD)

II. Committee’s Topics for the President
   A. Status of campus master plan for addressing technology needs, classroom space (Wendy)
   B. Mental health issues on campus (Brooke)
      a. Burden on untrained faculty, continuing counseling staff shortage/backlog
      b. Practical steps to addressing mental health issues in the strategic plan
      c. Late fall break in election years does not serve mental health, pedagogy, success
   C. Development of alternative RCM model (Bob Pi.)
      a. Concern about the budget driving the mission, “We will not have programs that do not support themselves”
      b. Commodification of the college degree and changed expectations of students & faculty
   D. Emphasis on graduate programs and their projected financial role in filling financial gap (Bobs)
      a. Promoting only graduate programs that are expected to be revenue positive?
   E. Merit and COLA salary adjustments (Chris)
      a. Feedback on diversity of experiences across departments
      b. What is condition of budget for increases into the future?
      c. If administration offers annual merit increases, how do departments use performance integrated over years?

III. Topics for future discussion
   F. Effectiveness of campus contracts (Tracy)
      a. Aramark and cost inefficiencies of small events
      b. Bookstore involvement in effort to lower costs, adopt OER
   G. Lack of Labor Day observance out of step with other institutions (Margaret)
   H. Faculty Compensation Committee discussing tuition benefit for dependents (Jen)
   I. Student retention—follow up to Provost’s presentation (Bob Po.)
      a. How is message getting out to those who did not attend?
      b. Advising issues: Next steps in choosing an advising model
      c. Affordability issues: Housing/parking, effectiveness of financial aid office

FACP composition
Tracy Burkett (Professor, Sociology and Anthropology)
Rebekah Compton (Assoc. Professor, Art and Architectural History)
Margaret Hagood (Professor, Education)
Chris Mothorpe (Associate Professor, Economics)
Brooke Permenter (Faculty Fellow & Director of Student Engagement)
Robert Podolsky (Assoc. Professor, Biology)
Jennifer Baker (Professor, Philosophy)—Chair, Faculty Compensation
Beth Goodier (Assoc. Professor, Communication)—Chair, Faculty Welfare
William McCorkle (Asst. Professor, Teacher Education)—Co-Chair, General Education (fall)
Bob Pitts (Professor, Marketing)—Chair, Budget
Thomas Spade (Instructor, Accounting)—Chair, Academic Planning
Wendy Sheppard (Instructor, Mathematics)—Chair, Assessment of Institutional Effectiveness