

Department Heads Council
Meeting Minutes
December 18, 2007
10:30 a.m. Room 297

Members Present:

Ann Bock for Martha Archuleta, Lowell Catlett, LeRoy Daugherty, Brenda Seevers for Tom Dormody, Maury Craig for Natalie Goldberg, Joe Graham, Janet Green, Bea Garrett for Paul Gutierrez, Wendy Hamilton, Wes Holley, Steve Loring, John Mexal, Tim Nesbitt, Tracy Sterling, Tim Ross, Dave Thompson, Raul Valdez, Barbara Wise

Members Absent:

Chris Allison, Mark Anderson, Jeanne Gleason, Ron Gurley, Kris Havstad, Frank Hodnett, Greg Mullins, Octavio Ramirez,

Guests:

Anthony Parra, Red Baker, Terry Canup

1. Cell Phone Policy
 - Anthony Parra: Discussion on policy, rates and procedures. Releasing equipment & mobile data cards; contact person, call Sookie Cordero at 646-3284. New cell phone policy goes into effect on January 1st, 2008.
2. Approval of Minutes from 11-23-07
 - Minutes approved.
3. Faculty Senate Update
 - Tracy Sterling: Reviewing the Memorial to Modify the Viewing a Wider World program to allow flexibility in course selection within program.
4. College of Ag. P & T Update
 - Tracy Sterling: Handed out a power point presentation for Promotion and Tenure Policy Changes.
5. Distant Education
 - Dr. Bock: Discussed distant education and asked each department to give an overview.
6. College of Ag. Name Change
 - Dr. Catlett: Survey for name change for the college. 65% votes were for The College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences. All members voted to move forward.
7. Dr. Richman And National Geographic News
 - No discussion, informational only.

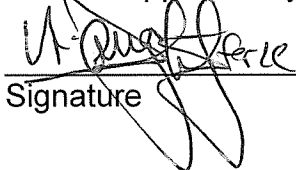
8. Other

- Janet Green: Discussed ground lease project that was passed by Board of Regents on Friday.
- Dr. Daugherty: USDA budget going through omnibus process at this time.
- Elizabeth Crabb: Discussed the budgeting problems for the internship programs in Washington DC. One student from the AXED department applied, no other depts. submitted names.
- Joe Graham: Went to the national Int'l Education Association to present the Dream maker Program which was well received; Talked about a new program they would like to implement called The Tribal Voice. The mission of this working group would be 1) to develop a tribal forum to discuss issues within the university and 2) provide guidance for university administrators and educators in their outreach activities with tribal communities; Discussed possible Elder exchange.
- Maury Craig: The Department received verbal commitment for the Weed Science position.
- Brenda Seevers: Tom Dormody will be back on January 2nd.
- Dave Thompson: Concern about Farm Bill & how it will influence special earmark project that his department has.

Meeting was adjourned by 11:35 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Pam Miller

Minutes approved by: Lowell B. Catlett


Signature

30/Jan 08
Date