

## Notes/Minutes from the Staff Council Meeting

March 19, 2015

Library Room 407, 10:00 AM

### Meeting Called to Order

#### Executive Committee Reports

Brian reported on the University Budget Committee meeting. The UBC is developing a Needs Analysis by academic and administrative unit. Suggestions and input are welcome during this process including design of a formula for a scoring rubric. The Board of Regents will put forth benchmarks which the University budget development process will comply with. This committee has an initial deadline of April 23, 2015 to complete the initial phase.

Amanda and Brian met with Dr. Fos to discuss the Executive Budget Overview. The University is facing budget cuts that are wide ranging in estimates. Regardless, any reduction will have severe impact.

Kendy stated that the website is up to date. If you have any changes, additions or deletions please let us know. You can either call us or e-mail us at [staffcouncil@uno.edu](mailto:staffcouncil@uno.edu). If anyone would like to become a member of staff council or know of anyone that would like to become a member let us know as soon as possible since electing councilors will be held at our next meeting.

#### Committee Reports

Harold Bauer reported on the outcome of the Spring Bling Silent Auction and meal. Thirty-eight dollars in charges were incurred for printing and there was a charge from Aramark for providing the bar. Altogether, the event took in over \$1800.00 and details about the costs incurred and funds remaining for the scholarship fund, please contact Amanda Green.

#### New Business

Brian expressed a need for the members of the staff council to become involved with campus committees and to recruit more staff to attend and participate in staff council affairs. Elections in April and May are a good starting point.

#### Old Business

None

Guest Speakers:

Dr. Mat Moore, Registrar

Dr. Bill Sharpton - Associate Provost and SACSCOC Liaison

Dr. Moore discussed a number of areas under enrollment management including:

- SEMC – The Staff Enrollment Management Committee and its functions and how it evolved from the Staff Enrollment Panel. Staff Council members are welcome to participate.
- Completion of the course catalog and start of advising.
- Numbers of applications and admits are both up.
- Transfer numbers are lagging, probably due to late starters.
- A number of events/efforts dedicated to spring testing.
- Design/setup of a data dashboard to provide snapshot view of enrollment number.
- Implementation of synchronous degree audit data to alleviate graduation logjams.

Visit the Privateer Enrollment Center web page at: <http://www.uno.edu/pec/>

Dr. Sharpton gave us a comprehensive summary of both UNO's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) and the standards which our Institution are and are not achieving, according to The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC).

The opening executive summary states the QEP as thus:

*The Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) titled Bringing the World to UNO: Global Learning and Engagement is designed to improve student learning by addressing Global Learning and Engagement. Bringing the World to UNO will address Student Learning Outcomes related to improved Global Learning and Engagement knowledge, skills, and attitudes. The topic of the QEP is well suited to the mission of the University of New Orleans (UNO) as an urban, research university located in an exciting, multicultural city.*

Primary initiatives include:

- Service Learning
- International Programs

Student Learning Outcomes have now become the focus of observation and documentation.

Improving and measuring students' levels of knowledge, skill and attitude are among the many indicators used to analyze the success level of the UNO QEP.

To review this initiative in detail, visit the UNO SACSCOC webpage where the entire report is available for download...also, information regarding accreditation standards are given here too on the web page or you can navigate to UNO's home page and type "SACS" in the search box.

<http://www.uno.edu/SACS/index.aspx>