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AGENDA

Meeting of the Council of Academic Deans
November 22, 1993
Academic Affairs Conference Room

I. Disposition of the Minutes of the November 16, 1993, Meeting

II. Action Items

III. New Business

1) Nucleus of Undergraduate Programs
2) Mission Statements -- State Institutions
3) Process for Seeking Exceptions for Graduate Study Regulations
4) Instructional Equipment Funds 1993-94
5) Extra Service Stipend
6) Summer School (Can we increase revenue?)
7) A Strategic Plan for Enrollment Management at Western Kentucky University
8) Budget -- Vacant Faculty Positions
9) Governor's Commission on Higher Education
10) Regents Professorships
11) Proposal to Expand Programs--Extended Campus Centers (Reports Due September 28, 1993)
12) A Plan for Improving Academic Quality
13) WKU'S Policies on Faculty Disability/Long-Term Illness
14) Administrative Internship
15) Faculty Workload
16) Behavior-Based Evaluations
17) Center for Training and Development--Policies and Procedures
18) Associate Degree Programs
19) University Disciplinary Committee
20) Proposed Policy for Lab and Course Fees and Other Student Fees

IV. Tabled Items

1) Writing and Thinking Across the Curriculum
2) Departmental Professional Ethics Standards or Policies
3) Graduate Teaching Assistants (Evaluation and Renewal of Appointment)
4) Promoting Faculty Leadership

V. Information Items

1) Letter from Gary Cox Concerning HERC Meeting
2) Information on Academic Programs for the HERC Meeting
MINUTES

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Dr. Robert V. Haynes called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Members present included: Drs. Carl Narayak, Michael Bender, J. Michael Brown, Ronnie Sutton, Martin Houston, David Lee, John Petersen, and Livingston Alexander.

The minutes of the November 15, 1993 meeting were approved as presented.

Dr. Haynes reviewed and presented for discussion the following items which had been submitted to the Higher Education Review Commission:

a) a revised list of core undergraduate programs; and

b) a refined mission statement. He also discussed a HERC recommendation on performance funding measures, included as a separate document in the agenda materials.

Dr. Haynes informed the Council of Deans of President Meredith’s request that we reduce the list of programs included under "lead responsibility" and "academic priorities" in Western’s referred mission statement. After an extended discussion, the Council agreed to include under "lead responsibility" the following professional program areas: Accounting, Education, Photojournalism, and Print Journalism. The program areas placed under "academic priorities" included: Biological/Chemical Sciences, Economics, Folk Studies, History and Psychology.

Dr. Haynes then sought feedback on the proposed performance measures. Council members made the following suggestions:

1. That the performance funding scheme be based on comparisons with institutional baseline data rather than with other institutions.

2. That program accreditation be included as a measure.

3. That evidence of compliance with the public service measure include contributions to KERA and to economic development.

4. That regional institutions have the opportunity to earn points (possibly 3) under the research performance measure.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Livingston Alexander