Faculty Council Minutes: 10/23/15 • 3:00-4:30 • Boardroom

Attendees: Hyla Rosenberg, Brian Nichols, Sheila Broderick, Jody Anderson, Jessica Alvarado, Brooke Taylor, Russell Shitabata, Phil Moore, Jennifer Frei, Lee Imonen, Steve McQuiddy

Co-chair Business
--10/09 minutes approved with two changes: add that FC requested more info for application to ARRC, and word choice change on LLC division report
--Need appointments on Learning Council, Diversity Council, and Curriculum Committee (specifically from Professional Technical)
--Faculty Recognition Awards Committee: email sent to all faculty 10/22; deadline for nominations is 11/20; contact Joseph Colton

Current Topics
Student Evaluation Instrument
--Software does not support Scantron sheets
--Noted that FC expressed support for developing the online Instrument, but did not vote to move in that direction
--Jennifer Frei handed out list of suggested questions gathered from LCC deans, offering in a contextual statement, "How we can develop an instrument of items which have been purposefuly and/or empirically derived to ensure that the instrument is sound."
--Extensive discussion on Evaluation questions, also touching on purpose and use:

--What are the external requirements in regards to accreditation?
--How are deans' questions different from faculty questions?
--Accreditation does not put as many restrictions on evaluations as some would have it.
--Should limit number of required questions.
--Some questions in current list seem abstract. Written comments are the most useful.
--Accrediation team said they wanted some kind of cross-campus questions
--How is instruction supporting CLO's? Not enough questions addressing that
--How do questions differentiate between online and F2F?
--Tools for evaluation should come from faculty. This is about more than selecting questions. Should develop an interim plan.
--Should have a core set of common questions, just a few (a possible range of 2 to 5 was discussed).
--How to motivate students to go online and do evaluation?
--Concerns about how Admin. will use evaluations
--Suggest letting faculty develop own questions
--Possibly expand pilot of online instrument, provide guidelines
--Need tech support for online evaluations this term

Council, Committee, Team Reports
No reports. FC agreed to use time for Evaluation discussion

Division Reports
No reports. FC agreed to use time for Evaluation discussion