Undergraduate Academic Advising Committee

Faculty Senate Report

May 3, 2018

2017/2018 Committee Members:

G. Faye Boudreaux-Bartels, ELE (18), Sandy Hicks, EDC (19), Chair 2017-2019, Dean Libutti, Provost’s Representative, Joanna Norris, BIO (20), John Pantalone, JOR (20). Vince Petronio, COM (20), Jayne Richmond, Dean, University College, Penny Steen, KIN (18). Linda Welters, CBA (19), Christian Wittwer, THE (19), Laura Creese, Student Senate Representative, Skylar Nelson, Student Senate Representative

Vacancies: A&S, (19), College of Nursing (19), College of Pharmacy (19)

Committee Charge:

Responsible for coordinating advisor training, developing and improving university-wide advisement, ensuring academic advisors are trained in academic requirements and policies, facilitating assessment of university-wide advising, and making policy recommendations. By-Laws 4.30

Activity 2017/2018

Meetings: December 2017 and February 2018

Actions:

1. Recommendation that Colleges use standard forms (ex: intent to graduate) or other student-focused administrative procedures. Further steps needed: investigate forms used with students across college to determine the extent of differences, make recommendations for standardization, consider differences in procedures required by colleges due to accreditation or certifications in this process. Everything can’t be standardized.

2. Resolved a concern that some advisors were providing permission numbers to students for classes. This was not the case.

3. Discussed difficulty in determining faculty compensation or load attribution across colleges for faculty who advise (not all do). Too few responses were received from department chairs from the 2016-2017 academic year UAAC ‘s survey to department chairs on this issue to make any recommendation at this time. The committee is resolved to continue this effort.

4. Recommendation that the Faculty Senate Executive Committee in conjunction with the new Teaching, Advising, and Assessment Committee consider further initiatives to encourage faculty participation in STARFISH training and implementation.