

Minutes
Provost Council
March 9, 2016

Present: E. Arnott-Hill, P. Beverly, P. Carney, C. Coleman, D. Collins, C. Cortilet-Albrecht, R. Darga, S. Green, A. Henderson, L. Jones, D. Kanis F. Muscadin, L. Roundtree, B. Rowan, P. Shinde, L. Young

The meeting was called to order at 1:08 p.m.

Mr. Shinde noted that single sign-in has begun and is receiving good reviews from users. He discussed with Council members the need to remove fixed podiums from classrooms. Banner User Access reports will soon be operationalized. He reminded everyone to use VPN before connecting to Banner off campus.

The Provost asked Mr. Shinde to work with Ms. Land and develop a plan for archiving and publishing university relations updates on the website.

The Provost thanked all faculty, staff, administrators and students for their work to prepare for the HLC Visit on Monday and Tuesday. The visiting team will continue to work on their draft report, with a completion date of May 5. The team was impressed with CSU students' professionalism. Teach-out plans will be submitted soon after review of drafts against HLC checklist.

APERC has been constituted with members from a Faculty Senate election and CSU-UPI appointees. First meeting is Thursday. Provost to charge the committee to review programs on the IBHE list of programs not meeting degree completion thresholds.

Commencement will take place on April 28, together with the Honors Convocation. Commencement Committee has begun to meet for planning.

The Provost shared that work will begin in Douglas to prepare for the virtual hospital.

B. Rowan indicated that a number of personnel actions are in process and thanked the Deans and chairs for their work to maintain the schedule. Faculty Excellence Committee has been constituted and will begin to review portfolios. Provost to call for revision of AY1617 yearlongs based upon operating context of fiscal exigency. Individual meetings with deans forthcoming.

The Provost indicated that further discussion of Summer and Fall terms would occur in subsequent Provost Council meetings.

P. Carney noted that the deadline for graduate applications has been extended to June 1st. She also indicated that 25 graduate students will be invited to join the CSU chapter of Alpha Epsilon Lambda, graduate honor society.

E. Arnott-Hill reminded deans to have all departments submit revised syllabi, in light of Spring 2016 term acceleration.

Council members discussed the practice of allowing students to participate in Spring commencement with six or fewer hours of coursework remaining. A clarification was requested and received (following the meeting) that this is not limited to those who would complete the six hours in Summer term.

R. Darga announced that he is working with a team on a Gates Foundation grant under the heading "Connected Learning Center". He also indicated that the library will remain open until 10 p.m Monday through Friday but close on Saturday and Sunday.

E. Arnott-Hill indicated that the AP Testing Group will visit next Provost Council.

Meeting adjourned 3:27 p.m.