

Academic Affairs Advisory Committee (AAAC) Minutes
September 8, 2020
1:00-2:00 pm
Virtual|Zoom

Attending: Kanakadurga Singer (Chair), John Pasquale, Mark Rosentraub, Rachel Goldman, Michael Hess, Priti Shah, Sergio Villalobos, Bill Schultz, Lola Eniola-Adefeso, Chitra Subramanian, Rebeka Modrak, and Annalisa Manera; Robyn Snyder

Absent:

1:00 Professor Singer called the meeting to order and gave brief remarks and asked each member to introduce themselves with past experience and their thoughts on committee goals. She shared a message from Professor Toyama the previous AAAC chair.

1:10 Committee members introduced themselves with their past committee experience and what goals they would like for this year's committee activities.

Goals:

- More time for discussions
- More time for meaningful engagement

1:25 The committee reviewed the committee charge and discussed prioritization of goals and future agenda topics. Suggestions included:

- Changes to OIE separate out Title IX.
- Input into changes and process into OIE – interim Umbrella policy.
- Develop recommendations for a faculty oversight panel for OIE.
- Speak to new Director OIE – Tami Strickman
- Look at the oversight of faculty feedback, how is it being done, who is responsible for ensuring that the feedback provided is being read and taken seriously.
- AEC – What is happening to the data collected and is being used for meaningful feedback? How can accountability be ensured from survey results?
- Feedback loop - is faculty feedback being taken seriously and how can their input become more valued?
- Faculty Governance input into campus reopening plans
- Working with the Provost Office to address issues around accountability for high level university employees who breach university policy.
- Office of Institutional Equity (OIE); Look at OIE processes, possible faculty oversight committee, should the office be reporting to the Provost, ask for more open communication about issues with OIE and how they can be addressed.

1:45 Plans for meetings going forward

- Chair Singer will try send materials ahead of time that meetings can start right away.
- After one hour with Provost will have 30 minutes for discussion/wrap-up and to plan for next session

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- Guests will be asked to send presentations prior to the meeting so the committee can review before meeting. Then keep presentations in the meeting to 5 minutes to allow for more discussion and engagement between guest and committee members.

1:55 Matters Arising (Topics for next meeting)

- The next AAAC meeting is September 23 with Provost Collins in attendance from 8-9 am.
- OIE-Ask Tami Strickman to attend the next AAAC meeting.

2:00 Adjourned

Respectfully submitted by:

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