



Idaho State University

Office of Academic Affairs - Council of Deans

January 4, 2022

Priority Information

- Idaho Falls - Kevin
 - Half of our enrollment decline as an institution has been in Idaho Falls.
 - What is our vision for Idaho Falls? What are some ideas we have to make Idaho Falls successful?
 - Idaho Falls campus needs some visibility. People don't know ISU is in Idaho Falls.
 - We will put together a group and come up with some realistic proposals for the President, including timelines.
- Communication Discussion- Kevin
 - What are some good ways to address our communication issues?
 - Fit in smaller regular group meetings with the deans with specific agendas to discuss.

Important Dates

- HR Step 2 (supervisor)- Performance Evaluation: January 7, 2022
- Departments with Obj. 9 courses - January 18, 2022
 - Appoint a faculty representative to their Objective Review Committee
 - Submit Departmental 5-year Gen Ed Objective Review Reports
- Recommendations for Promotion & Tenure due - January 21, 2022
- Recommendations for Emeritus faculty due - January 21, 2022
- [Nominations for the Distinguished Teacher, Service, and Researcher are due at 5:00 pm on Friday, January 28, 2022](#) - Stefanie Shadduck
- HR Step 3 (second level)- Performance Evaluation: January 31, 2022
- ISU Open Education Week (OER Treasure Hunt) - March 7-11

Discussion

- [Academic Testing](#) - Rick Pongrats (15 minutes)
 - We will need to set up boundaries on using the testing center for faculty/student/testing center needs.
 - Academic affairs needs to come up with someone to lead this project with Rick. Lyn and Karen will talk about how we will move forward with this project.
- Curriculum Updates - Cindy Hill (5 minutes)
 - Are there any concerns with the curriculum update process? Any concerns with removing BIOL 1100 labs? (removed due to a disconnect with the lab and the class)
- FS proposal for multi-year contracts for lecturers - Karen & Brian (15 minutes)
 - This will give faculty more security and less of a temporary feel.
 - The SBOE policy language regarding "Term of Appointment" - including multi-year agreements, is available in section 1.b of policy below: <https://boardofed.idaho.gov/board-policies-rules/board-policies/human-resources-policies-section-ii/policies-regarding-faculty-institutional-faculty-only-ii-g/>
 - We need to figure out who should be eligible for these contracts.



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- We will get another task force together to work with FPPC for a policy.
- College External Executive Committees - Darren (5 minutes)
 - 4.2.2 Percentage of academic departments using advisory boards that include representation from members of the community, industry, and business
 - Please send Darren an email if you have any of these in place. Darren needs a count.
- Online Programs and International Students - Adam Bradford (15 minutes)
 - We should still be able to let international students take the majority of their classes online until the end of spring but that temp. policy should change in the summer.
 - We need to think about how we are offering classes for these international students so we can prepare for student visas and such. International students need at least 6 credits of in-person classes to be here. If they take classes from other countries then there can be timezone and internet connection issues.
- Health Care Policy Degree - Rex, Teresa, and Walter (10 minutes)
 - This degree has very relevant information for the healthcare field and there are many jobs that could use this degree.
 - This would be a law track and we could partner with UofI.
 - This will need to be included on the 3 year plan.