

Advisory Council Minutes

Date: September 26, 2024

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Present: Gregory D. Kegel, Jennifer Brown, Joshua Engle, Chris Wendland, Bridger Beach, Beth Durodoye, Christian Oberquell, Jennifer Anderson, Jodi Kueffler, Joseph Todd, Katelyn Springer, Laura Gomez, Marianne Hoppe, Melanie Skoyen, Steven Don, Taryn Wallon, Tiffany Vickers, Valerie Guyant

March 28, 2024 Minutes

A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Policy Review

Policy #202 Officials to Act in Place of Chancellor

Chancellor Gregory Kegel presented Policy #202 Officials to Act in Place of Chancellor, which updated review dates and titles of administrative officials to act in place of Chancellor. Following discussion, a motion was made to accept the proposed policy. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Policy #309.1 Naming of Buildings and Areas

Chancellor Kegel presented Policy #309.1 Naming of Buildings and Areas, which updated review dates. Following discussion, a motion was made to accept the proposed policy. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Policy #903.4 Space Assignment and Management

Chancellor Kegel presented Policy #903.4 Space Assignment and Management, which updated review dates and administrative divisions. Following discussion, a motion was made to approve the policy with the added revisions. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Policy #1021 Bulletin Boards

Chancellor Kegel presented Policy #1021 Bulletin Boards, which updated review dates and building contacts. Following discussion, a motion was made to approve the policy with added revisions. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Updates/Announcements

Chancellor Kegel thanked everyone for a successful week last week with the Scholarship Awards Ceremony, Hall of Fame, Festival Days and Football game day.

Chancellor Kegel shared Mr. Dan Stevenson, Director of Facilities at the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education visited campus to discuss the Aurora Complex project and tour various areas of campus.

Chancellor Kegel reported Interim Deputy Commissioner Joe Thiel was on campus for the Montana Economic Developers Association Fall Conference and was able to meet with him and Provost Jennifer Brown.

Chancellor Kegel advised he has been working with Commissioner Clayton Christian to try to fund the research center through the Governor's budget.

Provost Jennifer Brown welcomed Dr. Tiffany Vickers the new Dean of College of Health Sciences.

Provost Brown shared we have hired both a Grants Coordinator and Dual Enrollment Coordinator, who are both heavily funded through grants.

Provost Brown reported the Deans are working on program review for the Office of Commissioner of Higher Education.

Ms. Marianne Hoppe advised she will be sending out an email reminding those who have not completed the Cyber Security Training to do so as soon as possible.

Dean Tiffany Vickers advised she is reviewing the Community Health program to determine if it should be pulled out of moratorium.

Dean Beth Durodoye reported Office of Public Instruction (OPI) approved accreditation for the Education program, but there are some challenges to be addressed.

Dean Durodoye announced Ms. Erin Lynch has been hired as the Teachers in Training Faculty Mentor.

Dr. Joseph Todd shared faculty are planning their tracts for ShowCASE and TekNoXpo.

Dr. Valerie Guyant reported Academic Senate met and will have curriculum proposals coming forward.

Dr. Valerie Guyant shared Dr. Mattius Rischard and herself will each have an essay published in the DVD box set for the *Terrifier* film series.

Dr. Taryn Wallon reported Student Engagement is wrapping up the last of the first six weeks.

Mr. Bridger Beach shared that Montana Associated Students (MAS) wants to have Northern more involved with lobbying, so ASMSUN will be brainstorming ideas.

Vice Chancellor Josh Engle reported Dr. Margaret Campbell will be assisting with recruiting by visiting schools in the eastern part of the state.

Vice Chancellor Engle further reported Mikayla Connelly will be starting Monday as a recruiter.

Mr. Christian Oberquell reported Skylights Volleyball team plays tonight and Saturday.

Dean Steven Don advised the Automotive Advisory Board Meeting is scheduled for October 9th, which will be discussing the ASC Accreditation.

Ms. Melanie Skoyen announced tickets are still available for the MSU-Northern Foundation Alumni Auction on October 4th.

Ms. Laura Gomez reported a search committee is being formed for the Ag faculty position.

Ms. Jennifer Anderson reported there are more and more people transferring to the online Elementary Education program.

Ms. Katelyn Springer advised there will be an upcoming meeting to discuss the Spring 2025 schedule.

Next Meeting: October 24, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.