

AAC Minutes: April 30, 2020

Present: Ryan Gray, Gina Turton, Crystal Nourie, Amy Hurd, Janet Tulley, Brent Kane, Soemer Simmons, Brody Frieden, Jazmyn Thomas, Shanna McDaniels, Lindsey Prior, Amelia Noel-Elkins, Jess Ray

- I. Approval of minutes from April 16th, 2020.
 - a. Gina Turton motioned, Megan Taylor seconded, minutes unanimously approved.
- II. Chair's remarks
 - a. Nothing to report.
- III. Secretary/Treasurer Report
 - a. FY20 budget update: \$1,883.87 total spent of \$2,500.00. Remaining balance of \$616.13 due to cancellation of spring Mentoring and Connections lunch for new advisors and no food being purchased for virtual summer advisor event. This money will roll back to EMAS to be put toward scholarships at end of fiscal year.
- IV. Old Business
 - a. Registration Dates & Times – Ryan & Crystal
 - i. Nothing to report.
 - b. Department advisors' access to imaging – Working group
 - i. Staff member from AT giving tutorial of Perceptive Content/Image Now to Brent Kane and Mindy Kinney.
- V. New Business
 - a. Advising Community Feedback – Brent
 - i. Preview Follow up
 1. Advisors can still do their work, but it's taking so much longer. Several advisors have shared that they feel decisions are being made for work that heavily involves academic advising, without their input.
 2. We did not discuss how first year advisors feel about synchronous Preview sessions at our last AAC meeting.
 3. It's hard to collect everyone's feedback when decisions are made at this speed. Administrators feel like they're being asked to do the impossible.
 4. Advisors also feel like they're being asked to do the impossible by giving that personal touch, high stakes, professional Zoom meeting possibly from home, some with unreliable internet and young children demanding their attention.
 5. Advisors were frustrated with how the decision was communicated as well. Department Chairs and School Directors were consulted, but not advisors. Some advisors are very supported by these supervisors, some are not and were not asked for feedback from their Chairs/Directors.
 6. While there wasn't time to speak to every single advisor in the timeframe which we needed to make a decision about Preview, we could have done this better by hosting an open forum to collect feedback from advisors.

7. Might want to consider taking turns coming to campus to give Preview presentations from our offices to mitigate feeling overwhelmed from home.
- b. Fall Planning – Amy
 - i. There are three scenarios working groups are currently examining for fall: Face-to-face, online, and a mix of both.
 1. Amy feels that there are only two options for fall: online and mix.
 2. We will be back in the fall, but things will look differently. We may shut down our smallest classrooms because we can't social distance in them.
 3. Gen Ed courses with 300 people might be moved online or broken up into smaller sections. Another example is, half of class meets on Monday and the other half on Wednesday.
 4. This is a good opportunity for ISU to look at things differently. Why do we have 16-week semesters? Why can't we do 8 weeks instead? We don't know if we're going to be able to make it through the fall semester without another wave of the virus.
 5. Faculty might have to teach on Fridays and Saturdays.
 6. There are so many moving pieces to this decision and we're reporting information gathered to the President. Amy is almost positive they won't have a decision before Preview starts.
 7. Will be hosting a town hall with advisors to gather feedback and ask questions.
 - c. Advising Resource Request Form – Brent
 - i. Tabled until our next meeting.
 - d. Additions to AAC - Vote
 - i. 1 additional Department Advisor
 1. Tabled until our next meeting.
 - ii. Ex-Officio members
 1. Assistant Vice President for Student Success
 - a. All voting members agreed that we will be adding this new position to our bylaws.
 2. Registrar Expert? (Crystal)
 - a. Is this a need to the committee structure? Sometimes needs of the committee change. Some members voiced they would like Crystal's position added to the bylaws. Did not take a vote.

VI. Campus Solutions/Registration

- a. Nothing to report.

VII. Committee Updates – Ran out of time to report.

- a. Assessment
- b. Technology
- c. Teacher Education
- d. PDT
- e. Mentoring & Connections
- f. AAC Awards Selection

VIII. Student Representative Report

- a. Brody asked if we would be meeting in the summer. Historically, AAC has had a meeting on the books for summer and would cancel it if need be.
- IX. Other Business?
 - a. Nothing to report.
- X. Next meeting – August
 - a. Brent Kane motioned, Megan Taylor seconded, all approved.

Submitted by:

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