

AAC Agenda 10/18/24

- I. Present: Rebecca L., Brittney V., Matt B., Kate B., Karen H., Kate W., Wendi W., Ryan G., Janet T., Amy H., Soemer S.,
 - a. Absent: Heidi V., and Elizabeth (student)
- II. Approval of minutes from 10/4/24 – all voting members approve!
- III. Secretary/Treasurer Report - no updates
- IV. Old Business
 - a. Best Practices Task Force – no updates
 - b. Second Week Overrides – no updates
 - c. EMAS PDT Page – the item we voted on has been removed
 - i. Soemer scheduled a meeting to further discuss the webpage
- V. New Business
 - a. AAC elections
 - i. Reviewed timeline and upcoming open positions. Nominations opening 10.29
 1. We need special population, UCollege, one department
 - a. What is a special population? Athletics, honors, trio, into, etc. will include that information when it is sent out.
 - b. Should we consider HOPE, MASAI, STEM, Soar, etc. (really increases UC representation)? Someone from student success (community of practice or student success positions) is the important clarification.
 - c. Looking into bylaws, the special populations descriptors need updated because “into” is not a program anymore. Needs updated/voted on.
 - i. Janet: What is the purpose of special pops as a distinct category? Because we’ve done it that way forever.
 - ii. Is it something we still need? Advising has certainly evolved since this was created. Thinking about this might help us define what a special population is if we have a rationale as to why/what.
 - iii. How do we make this document as accurate and general but still capturing everyone – make it to something we don’t have to update often? Do we say 5 elected department/honors and 3 elected members from UC advising unit – it includes honors and special

populations. We don't necessarily have to specify special populations.

- iv. Special populations does include representations of students and advising practices that are distinct from "typical" /mainstream advising. Some of the special represent our most diverse students.
 - v. Does this give "unfair" advantage to advisor who might fall under both categories? In terms of election standpoint. Could be something to consider if we are viewing special pops.
 - vi. An idea--3 department/honors, 3 UC: with 1 special pop in UC. Do not need 2 student reps.
 - vii. We could ask the advising community their thoughts on the matter.
 - viii. Thoughts for future election term.
- b. AAC Strategic Planning document
- i. Is it ready to be sent out to advising community? Or does it need redone, revised, etc.?
 - ii. This is a "guide" for the taskforce
 - iii. Could it need more detailed instruction? Yes. Need more action steps. That is the goal of the document.
 - iv. Is AAC willing to share this with advising community now? Yes, we are, but maybe need to revisit some wording and making sure things are measurable, etc.
- c. Holds that are really "to-do" items
- i. Many to-do tasks showing up in holds, driving everyone bonkers!!
 - ii. A hold is something that blocks you from registration
 - iii. Task as umbrella term for to-do and holds
- d. Consider renaming "Financial Agreement" many freshmen are worried its related to FAFSA

- VI. Campus Solutions/Registration – registration went well
- a. Changing terms like "registration appointment"

VII. Committee Updates

- a. Assessment – haven't met. No updates
- b. Technology – haven't met. No updates
- c. Teacher Education – haven't met. No updates
- d. PDT – recently had a campus partner meeting; there is concern of history of what the group has been asked to do; thinking about mental health/first aid. Wanting to do more in person and evolve with some things. What is being about what is being offered vs what they can strive to offer.

- i. Overall decent attendance, no “bad” reports
- e. Mentoring & Connections – haven’t met. No updates

VIII. Student Representative Report – n/a

IX. Other Business

X. Next meeting: 11/1/2024 via email!