Academic Advising Coordinating Council

Friday, September 14, 2012

315 New College

In attendance were Steven Honea, Joanna Warren, Fiona Liken, Ellen Martin, Laura Jolly, Darcy Lichlyter, Teresa McClure, Maggie Blanton, Debbie Bell, Marian Higgins, Anna Hiers, Rose Tahash, Amber Stevens Rayborn, Diana Fruth, Cindy Daniel, Evonne S. Jones, Judy Iakovou, Laura Dowd, Ami Flowers, Matthew Head, Jason Emond, Misha Boyd, Paul Welch, Heather McEachern, Laura Dowd, and Hunt Revell.

Laura Dowd called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. The meeting began with introductions.

Bridget Ratajczak in the College of Education gave a presentation on the Birth Through Five Program, as well as other programs in collaborative disability and autism education. Flyers and brochures are available for advisors to give to interested students. Contact Amber Higginbottom: amberhig@uga.edu.

Members were reminded about the advisor survey reporting semesters. Laura confirmed that data collection is in fall semesters of odd-numbered years, with the next collection being Fall 2013 and the next reporting semester being Spring 2014. Questions regarding the survey format can be sent to Shefali Dhar at shef@uga.edu.

The fall workshop was deemed a success, due in large part to the work of Heather McEachern. Dr. Jolly was also thanked for her presentation on the Complete College Georgia plan. Attendees please complete the survey if you have not already.

Concerns were voiced about the length of time allowed and attendance at the Majors Fair at Orientation. Concern was also expressed with the pre-orientation testing procedures. Laura Jolly asked committee members to offer general ideas for improvements that could be implemented in the future. The Orientation Subcommittee will communicate these concerns to Milly Legra in Admissions this year.

Marian Higgins from the Career Center sought feedback on gathering information about jobs, continued education, or other plans from UGA graduating seniors, in addition to the current Career Center survey. Several ideas were proposed including exit surveys, commencement questionnaires, individual college reports, Registrar initiatives, and/or UGA Bookstore discounts. CC events will be posted on Academe.

Laura Dowd circulated the list of Subcommittees for 2011-2012 to be updated. A brief discussion followed about beginning subcommittees for Advisor Awards and the NACADA Conference. The committee supported the idea of the Subcommittees and several members signed up.

Dr. Jolly distributed an advisor survey draft about course offerings and requested feedback. The survey questions will be emailed to the AACC before finalizing the survey.

An open Advisor II position was announced in Honors. Diana Fruth shared the story of an American Sign Language Multicultural Experience with programs in Reed Hall. Evonne S. Jones in the Office of Online Learning announced the first semester of online course offerings will be in the summer semester of 2013 and asked advisors to help students with course selections until the online courses are available.

The next meeting of the AACC will be October 12, 2012, 10:00 a.m to 11:30 a.m. in 315 New College.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35.