Academic Advising Coordinating Council

Friday, March 20, 2015

315 New College

In attendance were Matthew Head, Ellen Martin, Judy Iakovou, Mike Merva, Diane Miller, Jennifer Patrick, Laura Clark, Cindy Daniel, Misha Boyd, Julia Butler-Mayes, Melissa Garber, Christie Sanders, Rose Tahash, Cara Simmons, Beth Rector, Erik Dennison, Paul Welch, Heather McEachern, Trelle McGinnis, Steven Honea, Martin Rogers, Maggie Blanton, Mercy Montgomery, Alton Standifer, Glada Horvat, Nyerere Tryman, Nikki Hon, Sylvia Hutchinson, Fiona Liken, Rahul Shrivastav, and Elizabeth Petty.

Guest: Rebekah Sivvy

Matthew Head called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Matthew Head announced a call for nominations for the 2015-2016 Chair of AACC.

The AACC has invited a representative from each of the advisor committees on campus to attend the April meeting to introduce their committee and clarify their role in advising at the university.

The 2013-2014 Advisor Survey Report was presented. The Assessment and Policies Subcommittee included ideas and strategies used by each of the participating schools and colleges to increase response rate and satisfaction. The survey will be conducted again during fall semester 2015. In the meantime, the Assessment and Policies Subcommittee will convene to review the questions used on the student survey and college survey.

Alton Standifer from the Office of Undergraduate Admissions presented the changes for summer 2015 Orientation, including Area Meetings moving to day one of Orientation in the MLC and adding an "open house" period following the Area Meetings to allow students to visit other representatives from schools and colleges. Additionally, Orientation staff will notify students to change their majors prior to 3:30 p.m. on the first day of Orientation to allow advisors time to confirm advising appointment times. If a student changes their major after the 3:30 p.m. cutoff time, they should be advised under their original major and instructed to contact the department of their new major for an additional advising appointment. Placement testing will remain the same during Orientation. Students will be notified that they can come to campus early to complete their placement tests, or they can take the tests during the afternoon of the first day of Orientation.

Dr. Rahul Shrivastav, Vice President for Instruction, asked the council members for input regarding the new Director of University Academic Advising Services position. Advisors with suggestions of characteristics they would like to see in the new director should send their suggestions to Dr. Shrivastav at rahuls@uga.edu.

The following announcements were made:

The Freshman College Orientation, scheduled for June 29 and 30, 2015, should be considered a normal Orientation session.

The Registrar's Office will be sending out time ticket information the week of March 23, 2015.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.