

Senate Leadership Report

2/21/13

1. CASSC and CPC Update

- CASSC = College Academic and Student Services Council
- CPC = College Planning Council
- Meetings cancelled until further notice due to administrative restructuring.

2. Status of Motions Passed by Senate

- B.A. and Guest Student Prerequisite Waiver (10/27/11)
 - Investigation of implementation continues.
- Mandatory Orientation for First-Time Students (10/25/12)
 - Waiting on College Brain Trust recommendations and administrative action.
- ENG 1510 Curriculum Change (12/13/12)
 - Vice Chancellor Holcomb denied change.
 - Curriculum committee is investigating communication process.
 - English discipline is preparing response.
- CCSSE Review (1/24/13)
 - Chancellor response:

While the data is not absolute and analysis is not perfect, it still represents information regarding the interests of improving our work with students and their success. Furthermore, considering the nationally recognized source of the survey, I feel it would be reasonably futile to contest the results simply because they do not point in the preferred direction. I would suggest we embrace the CCSSE survey results, discuss how we may improve those metrics/analysis of question, and follow through with action. If the results improve, then we know the survey is valid and our actions are effective.

I do hold in suspect some of the analytical techniques and experimental design considerations. Notwithstanding, there are trends for inspection and consideration related to student success. We can debate the technical aspects and look how to measure and evaluate things better. My point is this: in the meantime, the data points to perspective areas of improvement. Let's put into play strategies to address those areas and see if the needle moves. Then, the only question is how much effort is spent in these improvements.

3. College Academic Master Plan Update

- College Brain Trust recommendations received in November 2012.
- Waiting on administrative action.