Leadership Council Meeting
24 August 2016
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Denise Spangler opened the meeting at 2:00 PM and welcomed everyone.

**Faculty Senate Updates**

Ellen Evans, COE Faculty Senate President, indicated that as she transitions into her role a few major leadership goals are to 1) revise and update the COE Faculty Senate Policies & Operating Procedures, 2) enhance transparency and communications, especially with the Department Heads, and 3) integrate with the Offices of Faculty & Staff Services and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. She also encouraged any feedback or input to enhance her effectiveness in her new role.

**Innovation in Teaching Conference**

The Innovation in Teaching Conference, October 21 was promoted. Registration is open, and faculty and students are encouraged to propose sessions: https://coe.uga.edu/events/calendar/innovation-in-teaching-conference-2016.

**COE Standards (minimum) for Graduate Admissions**

Laura Bierema introduced the discussion topic of admissions standards for graduate programs. Janet Buckworth outlined some questions and issues arising on the role of GRE scores and GPA on graduate admissions in Kinesiology. There seems to be no COE or Graduate School common standard on admission to graduate programs. There was discussion on the actual and possible role of admission standards with examples provided within COE and at other institutions beyond UGA. The proposal was made to have a Graduate School representative discuss this issue at a future meeting.

**Development and Alumni Relations**

Elizabeth Kozak outlined recent updates in Development and Alumni Relations. Department heads were asked to ensure that departmental financial staff communicate with Nancy Butler in development and alumni relations about departmental scholarship and award recipients in each department on a quarterly basis so that college stewardship efforts and record keeping are improved.

Faculty and staff giving to departments was discussed and all were provided a payroll deduction sheet. Development and alumni relations is encouraging 100% faculty and staff giving in FY17.

Save the date for the college’s Donor Celebration at the Botanical Gardens on Friday, October 14. If you have silent auction items, please email Meredith Metcalf at mmetcalf@uga.edu.
Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Anneliese Singh gave an overview of the initial efforts and directions of her new office. She will be visiting with Department Heads and attending department meetings this fall. Input into the activities of her office was welcomed. The suggestion was made to have her office involved in the Department hiring practices of faculty.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:12 PM.