Leadership Council Meeting Minutes  
26 April 2017

Attendance: Craig Kennedy, Rob Branch, Brian Glaser, Andy Garber, Ralph Knapp, Dillard, Cindy Vail, Janet Buckworth, Ashley Farris, Anne Marcotte, Jen Williams, Ellen Evans, Anneliese Singh, Stacey Neuharth-Pritchett

**Faculty Senate Updates** (Ellen Evans)
Faculty Senate Steering Committee Elections are complete. The composition of the committee includes Ellen Evans, Jim Garrett, Janette Hill, Julie Luft, and Chris Mojock.

The senate has completed a revision of its policies and procedure manual with major changes: (1) combining the steering and administrative committee; (2) dissolving the nominations committee and enlisting senators to serve that role; (3) increasing the scholarship committee by one member; (4) changing the college academic appeals committee to elected members rather than appointed members; and (5) revising the minutes approval and distribution process. One additional change is still under review and that involves the college’s role in graduate appeals.

The senate has been asked by the college to engage in developing a set of policies and procedures around faculty course evaluations.

The senate will continue to address how to operationalize EFT for service and foster greater opportunities for clinical faculty representation on university committees.

Notification about COE elections for committees is forthcoming.

**DEI Office Updates** (Anneliese Singh)
The 2016-17 academic year was a busy one in the inaugural Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Office. The summer will be spent reflecting on the previous year’s accomplishments, and ways to most effectively support DEI work within the college in 2017/2018. Please provide any feedback to Anneliese Singh at asingh@uga.edu. In addition, there are three ways students, staff, and faculty can engage with the DEI Office. RSVP to asingh@uga.edu:


(2) Ally and Community-Building Training: **Tuesday, July 11, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**, Aderhold Hall Room G23; This four-hour training is designed for individuals who wish to learn more about what it means to be an ally to people belonging to a marginalized or targeted community. In this workshop, you will learn skills related to: (a) generating awareness of how to leverage privilege for social justice change; (b) initiating courageous conversations and dialogues across differences; (c) consciousness-raising in speaking up and disrupting patterns of oppression; and (4) sustaining social change strategies that are consistent and meaningful.

(3) Woman of Color Focus Group: The Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is designing a mentoring program for women of color in the College of Education that will launch in the fall. We are interested in hearing feedback from women of color in the College who are undergraduate and graduate students about topics, expectations, needs, and interest related to mentoring. The focus group will take place **11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Wednesday, July 12 in G23.**
COE Research Conference (Karl Newell)
Dr. Newell presented a summary of the 2017 College of Education Research Conference. The group discussed ways to increase graduate student and faculty engagement in the event.