School of Natural Resources and Environment
Staff and Faculty Meeting Agenda
Monday October 7, 2019
2:00-3:00 PM – ENR2 N450


Kudos to Scott Bonar who was elected President of American Fisheries Society

Director’s Quick Updates
- Dean’s visit of 5 November at 10:30 am
- Position updates – Rangeland Conservation position approved at CALS, waiting on approval from Provost
- Updates on the Environment and the Strategic Plan: future of IE unclear; Central Administration is reviewing the many centers that report to RDI
- Assessment: J. Soto summary
  - Solid first draft ready to be deployed to students
  - 28 questions; language cleaned up
  - 8 grads will take as post-assessment
  - Need to identify a point person for the survey if students have questions (K. Hughes)
- Conservation campus – MOU nearing completion
- BS in Ecotourism strawman nearing completion

New Business
- Budget for coming 2 years in CALS will likely be a deficit
  - Debates among the HODS re: debt allocation and unit size
  - SNRE and other larger units may write a minority opinion against size metric
  - RCM calculation may change – TBD
  - SNRE leads in research dollars, grad SCH, 4th or 5th for UG SCH and Majors
- UCAP mapping (approx. $1.4M deficit for CALS)
  - Classified staff in SNRE in need of adjustment need to be covered by SNRE
  - Soft money deficits are covered by grants or FTE adjustments, not SNRE
  - All classified staff should have been informed of their classification (UA Box)
  - Have 5 years to bring it in line
- Focus on SNRE student retention
  - Developing programs for first year experience
- Getting positions
  - SPFI – establish SNRE committee & target a need
  - Spousal accommodation (ENVS hire) w/possible 49% LTRR
  - Startup funds may no longer be 1/3: Central Admin, CALS, Unit – depends on alignment with priorities, no startup available for this candidate
  - Excellent candidate; does a lot of geospatial analysis; ArcGIS teaching potential; lots of general support from faculty
Acknowledgement that candidate does not fit with current SNRE needs (e.g., Wildlife, Range)

- On-line courses
  - Doubled revenue
  - Summer – Full ZAC certificate
  - Gen Ed – 150, 160
  - BS GIST – in the black & growing
  - Microcampus options – need to explore
  - BS in Ecotourism will have online option
  - Limited money for development; long-term loan; other University guarantees a certain # students

- Reagents & Distinguished Profs. Update
  - Meeting with Provost to discuss concerns re: startup

- WSME and undergraduate numbers
  - Climate Change Minor close to becoming established

- Renovation of BSE – Do we want to pursue more or different space?
  - Steward Obs. & Old Chemistry are under construction first
  - Forbes, Shantz, BSE all on list for deferred maintenance upgrade
  - BSE – asking state for $11M for deferred maintenance
  - Consider use of space in BSE – other units considering/requesting use
  - Recommendation to post current publications & posters in BSE halls