Forestry Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Wed March 28th 2018 4:30-6:00 pm in AT 127

Attendance: Tim Baker (CR), Mickey Jarvi (CR), Joe Wagenbrenner (USFS), David Green (HSU), John Andersen (HRC)

- Tim opened the meeting up by welcoming everyone
- Tim then gave updates on the FNR programs
 - o Program Enrollment
 - Slight dip in enrolment for FNR
 - CR up 1%
 - FNR spring classes ~50% full
 - Dave Green was surprised as HSU numbers are increasing
 - Everyone discussed the AA Science Exploration degree and how this is affecting enrollment numbers. More discussion needs to take place with CR counselors to express several things:
 - Not all CR forestry majors need to finish to their AS FNR degree if they intend on transferring to HSU
 - More CR FNR classes have been updated to articulate 1-to-1 with HSU classes making it easier to transfer these students
 - Tim and Mickey have developed documentation to hand out to the counselors
 - Dave Green announced the HSU has dropped their requirement for calculus at the 4-year level and replaced it with statistics. Tim and Mickey were pleased with this.
 - HSU has dropped the first-year seminar (Introduction to Forestry) but Tim and Mickey feel that it is still an important class at the 2-year level to work in safety protocols and career exposure.
 - Budget
 - Tim explained that the GIS license increasing from \$2000 per year to \$2500 per year. CR will need to get in touch with the Redwood Logging Conference to see if this is acceptable as they have paid the site license in the past.
- Curriculum revisions
 - Tim and Mickey described the normal changes to curriculum that needed to be done to get the courses on the "new form"
 - FNR 54 has increased by 1 credit to improve field and lab portions of this course
 - The committee agree with this increase
 - Dave Green was pleased that it will articulate 1-to-1 with HSU
 - o FNR 77 was decreased 1 credit to be in line with HSU as well
 - Dave Green was pleased with this too
 - Geospatial Curriculum

- FNR 65 has been combined with FNR 67 to become FNR 31 Geospatial Concepts
- FNR 66 has changed names to FNR 32 Introduction to GIS
- FNR 58 has changed to FNR 33 with no name change
- All of these courses will now align with HSU and articulate with their courses
 - Again Dave Green was pleased with this news and agreed that it should increase enrollment by attracting HSU students looking to pay cheaper tuition
- o FNR 46 will fill the gap of previous issues with AG 46 no longer being offered
 - Tim notified that he will be attempting to obtain tablets to reinforce this class
 - The committee was pleased with this technology
- o FNR 3 will have no articulation with HSU
 - CR will be attempting to obtain chainsaws and a 4-wheeler to reinforce this class
 - John Andersen with HRC was very pleased with this prospect and will be notifying his supervisor about this program at CR as HRC has had issues in the past with 4-wheeler accidents

Accreditation

- Everyone was pleased with the progress with accreditation
- Dave Green had questions and comments about addressing some of the issues raised by the accreditation team
- One of the recommendations from the team was that CR needs to provide some sort of transportation for field exercises
 - Dave Green was surprised CR did not have a vehicle
 - John Andersen expressed that if this becomes a real issue then to get in touch with him and his company and they might be able to assist
 - He additionally recommended to contact the area vehicle dealerships and they might be able to donate something
 - CR might be able to use Strong Workforce monies to purchase 1 or 2 sixpassenger vehicles

• Final comments

- John Andersen expressed that CWE and summer internships are highly useful in the hiring process at his company
 - He talked about a THP class at UC Berkeley
 - Tim and Mickey expressed interest in modifying FNR 10 to a 1-day a week class that runs for ~8 hours giving the students field day experience
 - Some of these days might be able to be conducted on HRC land
 - John notified that his company might be able to take on 1-2 interns during the summer. He will reach out to his company and report back
- o Joe Wagenbrenner said he might be able to take 1-2 interns as well
- The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 pm.