

Present: Ann Breitenwischer, Yuri Konovalov, Scott Atwell, Kristy Motz, Randall Schroeder, Paul Kammerdiner, Leah Monger, Fran Rosen, Melinda Isler, Rick Bearden, Ali Konieczny

Leah reported back from her first Dean's Council meeting. She said they were very nice to her.

She said there was an interesting discussion sparked by VP Burcham asking how many of the Deans have tenure & how many are on a 3-year contract.

There was a woman at Dean's Council from the Detroit Regional Chamber. They want to partner with universities and employers to create a state-wide internship initiative.

FSU administration is working to develop a new comprehensive stewardship program to make FSU's scholarship programs more consistent across campus (so that scholarships are more consistent, are awarded at the same time, etc.) and so FSU can report back to endowers of scholarships about how their money was used.

The History Task Force is planning for the 125th anniversary of Ferris. There is a memo with some recommendations. They want each college to come up with a history. Melinda said the History Task Force is meeting on Thursday so she'll hear more about it. Ferris has hired an outside contractor to write a pictorial history.

Don Flickinger reported to the Deans that Phase 4 priorities for upgrading classrooms/labs have been completed & they are getting ready for Phase 5. Leah said Richard thought some FLITE spaces might qualify & she will follow up on that.

There is a group called CityWatch, where you can sign up for text message notification during emergency situations. Don Flickinger encouraged all the Deans to sign up.

Sharon, Randall & Leah will attend TracDat training. TracDat will be used to track assessment on campus. The current focus is programs, and then they will move to individual courses. Robbie Teahen thought the library might want to use TracDat. Sharon, Randall & Leah will get training & report back to the Assessment Team.

Leah said that she will be looking at Travel Requests. If anybody has had any issues about travel requests, please let her know. She brought up the question of per diem vs. per meal reimbursement limits. Rick said the current policy is posted on the FLITE web site. We can email Leah with any suggestions we have. Leah said she would get Cindy's perspective too.

Rick reported on the searches. He said the Reference/Instruction Librarian search committee has their packet back from EEO & is almost ready to set up interviews. The Instruction/Distance Education librarian committee should have their packet back soon. The Ed Tech Librarian application deadline was Monday Sept. 22.

Rick reported on the work of the University-wide committee that is looking at relocating the Office of Multicultural Student Services. This committee is looking at space. They are looking at Rankin, FLITE, CSS, & IRC. Rick & Ann are on the Committee. The Committee is nowhere near recommending action. Rick clarified that he gave the Committee a tour of the whole FLITE building.

There was general & productive discussion of a draft of the posting for the position of Dean of the Library.

Rick will send around a new draft of the posting for the position of Dean of the Library. When we have a draft that the Librarians OK, Rick will send it, clearly marked as a draft, to the library staff as a whole. Rick hopes to have the draft to the VPAA by the end of the week.