Council of Chairs Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 10, 2014

245 Patterson Office Tower

9:00 – 10:30am

1. Update on Blackboard

The university is in the process of selecting a new learning management system to replace Blackboard. Scott Bradley is on the committee and joined the group to update us on their findings and timeline. He requested the group watch for the email survey and to participate. The committee is looking for faculty and student feedback.

1. Announcements
   1. Ruth Beattie stressed the need for faculty at graduation.
   2. She also discussed the need for DUS related work to be done in the summer on equivalencies, etc and requested that each department let her know who will need access and training.
   3. If there are changes to the department DUS and DGS, please let the College know.
   4. Improvement action plans are due May 15.
2. Discussion regarding online classes

The Dean posed questions about online classes for the College and how to best handle online education in the future. The group had a discussion regarding the costs, revenue, and the possibility of professional masters programs. The council concluded that they would discuss the matter further at a retreat.