

**Council of Academic Deans Meeting  
March 2, 2010**

**Summary and Action Items**

• **Curriculum Proposals:**

- Change the existing Bachelor of Science in Applied Sociology major in Applied Sociology to a Bachelor of Science major in Applied Sociology

Dr. Susan Day reported the change in the title of the degree removes the redundancy of having a degree in Applied Sociology with a major in Applied Sociology.

- Add a graduate certificate in Intelligence Analysis

Dr. Quint Thurman reported on the available jobs in the area of Intelligence Analysis.

The curriculum proposals were approved by the Council.

- **Assistance with Grant Proposals Seeking Funds from External Sponsors:** Dr. Gail Ryser gave an overview of the Externally Funded Proposal Assistance program offered by the Testing, Research-Support and Evaluation Center. The program provides guidance on selecting the appropriate analytic method(s) and provides editorial assistance on the technical components of the proposal. The program compliments the services offered by the Proposal Development and Sponsored Program Offices. A copy of the guidelines of the program was distributed.

- **SACS:** Dr. Cathy Fleuriet reported that she is finalizing the SACS schedule with Dr. Bach, chair of the visiting team. The schedule currently reflects a visit to the RRHEC on Monday; meetings with President and Provost, meetings with the focus groups on the non-compliance items and meetings regarding the process of student learning outcomes on Tuesday. Wednesday's meetings will focus on the QEP. The exit meeting will be held early Thursday morning.

The visit will also include a tour of the campus.

**Off Agenda**

- **HB 2504:** A committee comprised of five Faculty Senators, two Chairs, and the Director of TREC has been formed to create a list of questions that will be used by departments/schools as part of the student evaluation for faculty members teaching most undergraduate courses. This evaluation is part of the requirements of HB 2504. Faculty have been invited to open forums on March 4<sup>th</sup> and April 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss the process by which the University will meet the requirements of HB 2504, and to discuss the proposed questions and any revisions to the evaluation questions.

- Dr. Moore discussed the Senior Staff Reception hosted by the President each spring. The Council recommended not changing the event to a lunch. They recommended starting the event at 5:00 rather than 6:00.
- Dr. Moore announced of the recent ASG legislation that was passed to encourage faculty, staff and students to wear the Texas State logo or school colors on Monday to promote school spirit. The Council endorsed the legislation.
- Dr. Moore briefed the Council on the Task Force on Internationalization. The members of the task force will be named by President Trauth and charged with conducting a broad review of the university's plans for internationalization. The task force will make recommendations on strategic goals and actions to further internationalize our campus.
- Dr. Moore discussed critical space issues, including classroom and faculty office space shortages on campus.
- Dr. Fleuriet discussed the timeframe to begin the next Strategic Planning cycle considering the lack of information regarding the economic state of the university.
- Dr. Gene Bourgeois announced that the April 14<sup>th</sup> CAD meeting will be a joint Faculty Senate/CAD meeting. He requested that council members send any suggested agenda items for this meeting to Debra Heinsohn at [db05@txstate.edu](mailto:db05@txstate.edu).