**College of Health Professions**

**College Council Summary & Actions**

**August 17, 2023**

**Announcements/Information**

1. State of the TXST Address, Friday, August 18 at 9:00 a.m. at Strahan Arena (SMC) & Avery 252 (RRC). Meet and greet at 8:30 a.m. with President in the UEC Lobby (SMC) and VPRRC in Avery 2nd Floor Lobby (RRC).
2. Scroll Ceremony/IPE, Friday, September 8, 1-5:30 p.m. at the Dell Diamond Round Rock Express
3. Fall Bobcat Days – October 7, and November 4, 2023, February 17, and April 20, 2024
4. Undergraduate and Graduate Admissions
5. Reorganization of the Division of Research – Handout
6. Other

**General Discussion**

1. Bobcat Welcome Event Follow-up: Dean thanked the Academic Advising Center and the academic units that participated in the Bobcat Welcome event on August 16. The event was a great success.
2. College Council meetings for next academic year (day/time and format): Dean asked for input from the council regarding the format of the meeting. The council decided that the meetings will be held every other week on Wednesdays from 1:30-3:30 p.m. On the weeks there is not a meeting, chairs/directors can utilize this time to discuss any academic unit related issues or needs (budget, expense, personnel, curriculum) with the Dean. Chairs/directors are always welcome to stop by the Dean’s Office.
3. Meet and Greet: There will not be a meet and greet for either campus due to upcoming fall events.
4. CHP Fall Gathering and Awards: The council decided Fall Gathering will be held after the Scroll Ceremony on September 8 at the Dell Diamond in Round Rock. Class pictures will be taken at the Dell Diamond after the Scroll Ceremony. The students will be released after pictures and faculty will reconvene for the Fall Gathering and Awards ceremony. Staff from other departments on the RRC will assist with the Fall Gathering event. In the future, Dean would like to discuss this opportunity with the VP of University Advancement and VP of Student Affairs to collaborate in supporting the Scroll Ceremony event in terms of finding a larger venue, swags, turning into a student engagement where families can be invited and build a lifelong tradition for the CHP students.
   1. There will not be an IPE event after Scroll Ceremony this year. IPE is RTA’d to discuss at the upcoming council meeting. Chairs/directors can discuss with their faculty and will come up with a structure and version of IPE that will work for them.
   2. The council discussed combining the Research Forum with the Dean’s Seminar in Avery Hall in the spring. The reception will be in Nursing. Dates will be announced in November.
5. Scroll Ceremony Speaker: Oren Renick will be the speaker. In the future, Dr. Welborn will also be invited for her dedicated service in the College of Health Professions.
6. Collegewide Updates from Chairs/Directors: Dr. Gibbs informed the council about receiving confirmation of the unit’s name change to Health Informatics and Information Management.
7. Dr. Trad will serve as the Associate Dean until the end of December. A search committee will be formed to search for a full-time Associate Dean.

**Off Agenda:**

1. The council requested the Chronicle of Higher Education subscription be cancelled. The library has a subscription faculty can access.
2. Dr. Ari reported to the council that she is working with the CHP Research Forum Committee on their budget and potential dates. Dr. Ari also informed the council that she would like to meet with new faculty during department meetings about the grant application process. Dr. Ari and the research coordinator, Ms. Zegarra-Coronado will offer a short demonstration to share resources on submitting a grant application.
3. Dr. Trad reported that the welcome event went well. She discussed revisiting the courses in the BSHS curriculum to put in the system.
4. Dr. Irani asked the academic unit leaders to make sure that the department representatives on the College Research Enhancement Program (REP) committee are available for the meeting on Friday, November 10, 1-5 p.m.
5. The council shared their concern about not having consistency on the start-up proposal policy and procedure. The council requested an appeal to the provost to revise the policy to fund start-up funds (departmental asks, interdepartmental budgets, needs, etc.).
6. The Dean strongly encourages the council to provide feedback to him on how to improve the efficiency of conducting college council.
7. Next council meeting is on Wednesday, August 30 at 1:30 p.m.