**College of Health Professions**

**College Council Summary & Actions**

**May 8, 2024**

**Announcements/Information**

1. Spring Commencement, Saturday, May 11 at 10:00am (SMC): Read the email from the provost regarding parking instructions, clear bag policy, street closures for Commencement, etc.
2. CHP Fall Gathering, August 22, 2024, (RRC)
3. CHP Training Program, September 20-21, 2024, TBD (RRC)
4. CHP Scroll Ceremony, October TBD, 2024 (RRC)
5. Other

**General Discussion**1.Chair/Director Search Update (Sayed): The Dean was delighted to inform the council that the two  
 national searches for Communication Disorders and the School of Nursing chair/director positions  
 are coming to a closure with strong candidates. Dr. Sayed is currently in discussions with the  
 finalists; an official announcement will come out soon.

2. Instructional Faculty Title Update (Kruse): Council unanimously approved the guidelines and can  
 proceed with faculty of instruction titles. The chairs/directors have until May 15 to submit  
 recommendations from them and their personnel committees. After that date, Dr. Kruse will review  
 the recommendations with the Dean to send to the provost.

3 Other:

4. College Retreat Date (Sayed): The Dean suggested hosting a collegewide retreat to kickoff the Fall  
 semester. The purpose is 1. to acknowledge appreciation for faculty 2. there are several discussions  
 that faculty need to be involved in for strategic planning initiatives, listen to their concerns and  
 boost morale 3. Dean will discuss a few initiatives that need to be rolled out to prepare us for the  
 next phase (i.e., RCM Budget, R1, new programs, etc.). The retreat will have a professional   
 development opportunity. A working group has been created to include Dr. Bezner, Dr. Kruse, and  
 Dr. Roesemann. The group will prepare a report detailing when, where, guest speaker on long term  
 care, colleagues from IPE, etc. The group will present the report at the June 5 meeting.

5. IPE Date (Sayed): Dr. Sayed, Dr. Roesemann and Dr. Kruse met with the chair of the IPE committee,  
 Dr. Shannon Herrin, and they are proposing a date for an IPE event. The IPE event will bring all  
 faculty together from other departments in the college as a single team.

1. CHP PPS 02.02.33 Immunizations – Handout (Sayed): The council unanimously approved.
2. CHP PPS 02.04.22 Faculty Excellence Awards – Handout (Sayed): Several changes were discussed. The council decided the policy will need to be revised and RTA’d until the June 5 council meeting.
3. Collegewide updates from chairs/directors, associate deans, and faculty senate (Sayed):
   1. Faculty Senate: The president, the provost and his team were in attendance. There was discussion regarding library budget cuts affecting some colleges across the university. He provided an update on Faculty Senate elections and current officers.
   2. The Dean informed the council on the following:
      1. There will be a discussion forthcoming on Booksmart, a digital textbook program. The provost reviewed the entire process, and the textbook program will save students approximately $7M university wide on required course materials.
      2. RCM Budget: The provost is considering offering training sessions to the Deans and chairs. The Deans can bring their budget person.
      3. TXST Global: The Dean requested the chairs/directors communicate with him on any agreements, approvals for faculty/staff hirings, and program initiatives through TXST Global so he can inform the provost. Academic Affairs must be notified of any TXST Global discussions. agreements/decisions to stay in compliance with the SACS requirements.
      4. The Dean is scheduled to meet with the provost and his team, VPRR, VP Global, and VP DoR about faculty hiring plans for the college this summer. All faculty hirings are currently on hold. Please submit any vacant faculty position requests with justifications to the Dean in preparation for this meeting.
      5. Emergency Hire Requests: The departments are authorized to fill any current vacancies for emergency hires (100% FTE) but any new/additional requests for fall and spring need to be communicated to the Dean. An announcement is forth coming from the provost’s office regarding emergency hires.
      6. The provost has put a moratorium on new online classes offered at the San Marcos campus. All future online classes on the San Marcos campus for non-online programs will have to get approval from the provost’s office.
   3. Dr. Ari reminded council of the CHP Training Program scheduled for September 20-21. A web page will be created within the research area of the CHP website. The purpose is to guide health professions faculty in the nation in interdisciplinary research and career development. Dr. Ari serves on the council of Associate Deans of Research and the Presidential Excellence Awards for Research committee. Dr. Ari updated the council that the Boiler plate document is almost complete.

**Off Agenda**1.College council meetings will be held monthly during the summer; therefore, the next meeting will  
 be on June 5. The meeting schedule will be revisited in the fall.