**College of Health Professions**

**College Council Summary & Actions**

**January 19, 2022, Via Teams**

**Announcements/Information**

1. Spring Bobcat Days, February 19 and April 9
2. Spring Break, March 14-20
3. Spring Commencement, CHP, Saturday May 14, 2:00 p.m.
4. Inclusive Postsecondary Education (IPSE) Program – Handout: Offered through the College of Education. Program funded by donor to create a non-degree IPSE program to empower students with intellectual and developmental differences to meet learning objectives through individual plans of study that focus on career development, self-determination, and independent living skills, as well as to receive a fully integrated and inclusive four-year college experience that also prepares students for employment in the community.
5. TXST Regents’ Student Scholar Award Process – Handout: Invitation to submit application for this award will be sent to all students with a 3.75 GPA. This may trigger a mass request for letters of reference by students from faculty members, chairs/directors, and the dean. It was discussed in the Council of Academic Deans that requests for letters can be politely declined. If a letter is provided it should be noted that in addition to the 3.75 GPA, students must have extensive leadership and co-curriculum activities. Only one (1) student from the university will be selected to move forward.
6. Post-Doctoral Fellowships: Inspiring the NEXT Generation of Faculty: Dr. Thorne submitted a grant for postdoctoral fellowships: Inspiring the NEXT Generation of Faculty.
7. Name Change in McCoy COB’s Department of CIS and QM: Dr. McLeod contacted Dr. Gibbs regarding the proposed change of name of the Department of CIS/QM to Information Systems and Analytics. Council did not have any issues with the proposed new department name.
8. Small Classes: RC may have four (4) small classes, NSG has two (2) small classes, HIM has five (5) small classes.
9. Undergraduate and Graduate Admissions: New freshmen numbers for fall show an increase, transfer numbers currently show a decrease.
10. Faculty/Student Research Forum, April 13-15: Council approved dates and having it virtually. Suggestion was made to start the process earlier, possibly during the fall semester. This change would allow faculty to implement into their syllabus.
11. Other:
	* 1. Presidential Awards for Excellence: Documentation is due to the Dean by February 1.
		2. UTSA reached R-1 status. This has prompted Texas State to review the university’s status and make changes to reach R-1 status.

**General Discussion**

1. Tenure-Track Reappointment Calendar: Dr. Bezner discussed survey results on the possible changes to the reappointment process. Majority of responses to date favor the changes.
2. Presentations at Bobcat Days: Dr. Brooks discussed the changes being made to the presentation schedule. Nursing and physical therapy will be done individually due to the high demand for information on those two (2) programs.
3. BSHS Concentrations: Dr. Brooks discussed how the college’s selected admissions process impact students’ financial aid. Financial aid cannot be awarded to students who are in a program that does not identify a specific degree plan; degree concentrations were added to correct the non-compliance issue. Dean Welborn is in discussions with the College of Education on some concerns regarding HHP students.
4. Associate Dean (AD) Position: Congratulations to Dr. Matt Brooks who will be the new Assistant Provost. A call for applications to fill the AD position has been sent to all faculty members in the College of Health Professions. Deadline to submit applications is January 31. The Dean plans on making a decision promptly, giving the person some time to cross-train with Dr. Brooks who will leave on March 1.
5. COVID Update: Positivity rate is being monitored.
6. Spring 2022 Classes: Currently, no changes to plan to return to on-campus classes after the two weeks of online format.
7. COVID Testing at RRC: Testing on the RRC is now available.
8. Reappointments and Annual Review Processes: All 1st year reappointments are in Faculty Qualifications (FQ); any faculty member who is 50% FTE or more will need to submit an annual evaluation in FQ; deadline is January 31.
9. University Plan 2023-2029 – Handout: Timeline was reviewed. Survey will be sent out to stakeholders by Dr. Beth Wuest to provide feedback on mission statement, shared values, and goals.
10. Hybrid-Online Proctoring Exam Option: Dr. Gibbs discussed information he received from Mr. Dana Willett, Assistant VP, Office of Distance & Extended Learning, regarding online exam proctoring service. Fully distance or hybrid courses receive this service without cost to the department.
11. College Review Group Feedback: Council provided positive feedback, especially on the use of the virtual format. Dean encouraged Council to review individual program Tenure & Promotion policy to ensure policies are clear on expectations to meet requirements.

**Off Agenda**

1. Summer Budgets: The budget for the college has been received. Ms. Julia Palacios, Academic Budget Specialist, will distribute the budgets to Chairs/Directors for review and justifications.
2. Ms. Holly Cook-Heines has been hired as the Administrative Assistant III for the Dean’s Office in Round Rock, effective January 31. She will be the new person processing Affiliation Agreements.
3. Dr. Ari reported a new grant received by Dr. Maria Resendiz in collaboration with the College of Education and the College of Science & Engineering in the amount of $344,029. The goal of the grant is to introduce undergraduate students to research.