**College of Health Professions**

**College Council Summary & Actions**

**September 9, 2020**

**Announcements/Information**

1. Scroll Ceremony, October 3, 9:00 a.m.
2. Step up for State, October 7-8
3. 3rd Virtual Ignite Weekend, October 9-11
4. Fall Bobcat Days, October 17, and November 21
5. Dean’s Seminar, November 5: Details are still being discussed; more information to follow.
6. CHP Retreat, November 11: This retreat will be conducted face-to-face and on the RRC.
7. Undergraduate and Graduate Admissions: As the census date approaches, total enrollment is at 37,890. Actual registered freshmen students decreased 7.3% over last year. Graduate student enrollment includes over 300 new students and a 21.1% increase in overall graduate enrollment. The Dean noted that the BSHS program in the College of Health Professions (CHP) has 1,900 students, making it the 2nd largest program in the university.
8. Other: N/A

**General Discussion**

1. Format for the Scroll Ceremony and IPE Activity: Dr. Brooks has discussed plans with Dr. McClanahan. Discussion included 2 separate Zoom meetings for the Scroll Ceremony and the IPE event. Dr. Brooks will continue to work on this event.
2. COVID -19 Updates: Council of Academic Deans (CAD) discussed the spring schedules and the role of the faculty that are teaching in the spring. If the COVID-19 virus situation remains unchanged as the spring semester begins, ODS accommodations currently in place will continue into the spring semester for faculty. Faculty with other remote work accommodations, not part of ODS, will need to put in a new request.

Cleaning of classrooms: UV lights that are in the classrooms need to be turned

on by faculty. Cloths and disinfecting spray are being provided in the classrooms for

faculty and students to clean their sitting areas if they choose to.

Texas State is seeking a change to the Regents Rules, adding extraordinary circumstances (pandemics, hurricanes) to the list of hardships leading to a request for tolling of the tenure clock a third year.

1. FY 2021 Budget Planning: Dr. Thorne is reviewing requests to fill vacant faculty positions very closely, in light of projected FY21 budget cuts.
2. Associate Dean and Research Coordinator: Dr. Arzu Ari has been selected and was approved by the Provost as the new Associate Dean for Research. The Research Coordinator position is currently posted.
3. Spring Class Schedules: The CHP has submitted finalized class schedules.
4. Tenure and Promotion Policy Review: VPAA T&P policy has been distributed to faculty for review. The Dean brought to the attention of Council several sections and requested their feedback. Dean will report comments to the Associate Provost. Dean encouraged Council and faculty to review the policy and submit comments to Ms. Janet Johnson by Sept. 16, 2020.

**Off Agenda**

1. Captioning: CAD discussed the need for captioning services for students and the cost. Currently, there is no contract with any vendor for these services and they are paid for individually by departments. The Provost has charged Mr. Dana Willett with putting in place a contract with a vendor for possible cost savings for the university.
2. Round Table: Council reported information/announcements from their respective department/program/school.