UBAC Meeting Minutes May 5, 2016

New members were welcomed to the group.

BI Music Proposal: There was a presentation followed by a Q&A on the proposed Bachelor of Innovation in VAPA Music. As part of the presentation Dr. Whitehead indicated that the music department was not asking for additional funds to support this new track. The projection is that there will be around 10-20 students interested in this new track. Because UBAC is only looking at the financial aspects of a proposed program, it was decided that the Music Department should provide a Proforma document projecting costs and impact for the next five years at the next UBAC meeting that will take place early next fall. In the meantime, UBAC approved the proposal for a Bachelor of Innovation in VAPA Music with the understanding that no new funds will be needed for this program this fall.

As part of the discussion it was determined that there was confusion around what information should be provided to UBAC when this type of proposal comes forward. There was consensus that at a minimum a Proforma should be submitted even if there is no expectation of additional funding being needed. In the fall UBAC will look closer at how this process works and will clarify the procedures for other programs brought forward to UBAC.

UBAC scholarship: UBAC raised enough money to offer one $1,000 scholarship to a worthy student.

Online Initiative: Associate Vice Chancellor Venkat Reddy gave an update on where the three campuses are on the online imitative to have full bachelor degrees available online. We currently have five degrees that can be completed online only. Forty plus online classes are being offered as additional support to these online programs.

Right now faculty and staff are encouraged to propose new fully online undergraduate degree programs that are offered across campuses. They are looking for proposals that are across campuses – so each proposal must have at least two campuses involved. It is even better if the proposal involves all three campuses. Funding will be provided for proposals selected for development. Proposals are due by July 15, 2016. The link below will give you more information on the requirements, deadlines and funding

http://www.cu.edu/online-degree-grant/grant-guidelines

Legislative Update: The money to renovate the building on north Nevada (TRW) has passed both the house and senate. It is now in a conference committee to work out one small amendment. This legislation allocates $8 million towards the renovation of the TRW to create the National Cybersecurity Intelligence Center. With this new center there will be multiple interdisciplinary opportunities for grants and research funding. It should be noted that at this time no campus funds have been allocated to this center.

Thank you: UBAC members leaving the committee were thanked for their service.

Respectfully submitted

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