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TO: Provost's Council

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SUBJ: Provost's Council Agenda for Tuesday, October 23, 2012

The Provost's Council will meet on Tuesday, October 23 from 8:30-10:00 a.m. in the Board Room in Koch Hall. The following agenda items will be discussed.

1. Approval of the September 25 minutes (see attachment, p. 1-2)
2. Proposed Name Change for the School of Medical Laboratory and Radiation Sciences (see attachment, p. 3)
3. Proposed Name Change for the Child Development and Child Study Centers (see attachment, p. 4)
4. GRIP – Graduation and Retention Initiatives Program – David Metzger (see attachment, p. 5-7)
5. Learning Communities 2012-13 – David Metzger (see attachment, (8-10)
6. Proposal for Implementation of the New Undergraduate Writing Proficiency Requirement – David Metzger (see attachment, p. 11-12)
7. Proposal for a Master of Science in Athletic Training (see attachment, p. 13-37)
8. The Education Alliance of Greater Hampton Roads - EAGHR (see attachment, p. 38-42)
9. Announcements
 - A. Virginia Outstanding Scientist of the Year Award for 2012 – Nominations due November 2, 2012 (see attachment, p. 43-45)
 - B. Virginia's First Annual Open and Digital Learning Resources Conference, March 7, 2013 (see attachment, p. 46-48)
 - C. Diversity Champion Award – Nominations for Spring due March 15, 2013 (see attachment, p. 49-50)

PROVOST'S COUNCIL

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Minutes

The Provost's Council met on Tuesday, October 23 from 8:30-10:00 a.m. in the Board Room in Koch Hall. Those present were Carol Simpson (Chair), Oktay Baysal, Andy Casiello, Chandra de Silva, Jim Duffy, Linda Irwin-DeVitis, Brenda Lewis, Connie Merriman, David Metzger, Shelley Mishoe, Ginny O'Herron, Renee Olander, Chris Platsoucas, Mary Swartz, and Charles Wilson. The following agenda items were discussed.

1. The September 25 minutes were approved.
2. Proposed Name Change for the School of Medical Laboratory and Radiation Sciences

Council members approved changing the name of the School of Medical Laboratory and Radiation Sciences to the School of Medical Diagnostic and Translational Sciences. The proposed name will better communicate the nature of educational programs within the School, all within the area of medical diagnostics, while clearly indicating the focus of research and scholarship to funding agencies, prospective students and collaborators. The proposed name change will be considered by the Board of Visitors in December.

3. Proposed Name Change for the Child Development and Child Study Centers

Council members approved changing the name of the Child Development and Child Study Centers to the Children's Learning and Research Center. The name change is proposed as the University prepares to unite the two existing Centers physically and to reflect the fact that both Centers are under one Director. In addition, changing the name to one Center instead of two will avoid confusion about the function and responsibilities of the Center. The proposed name change will be considered by the Board of Visitors in December.

4. GRIP – Graduation and Retention Initiatives Program

David Metzger presented information about services for colleges and departments provided by Academic Enhancement, which include the following.

- Mentor and tutor training services
- Supplemental instruction (SI) services
- Academic skills workshops
- Class presentations to showcase services
- Technology consultation in the Learning Commons
- Learning communities
- Student support services (support for at-risk students)
- Classroom presentations to showcase services

- Undergraduate research program
- Undergraduate and graduate student travel grants
- Experiential learning program
- Testing Center
- Funding for graduation and retention initiative proposals (GRIP)

He highlighted that funding is available for GRIP proposals that will enhance existing or develop new retention or graduation initiatives. Proposals from colleges and departments are due January 15, 2013, and notification of awards will take place in February 2013. Those initiatives funded will be implemented in the 2013-14 academic year. Carol Simpson encouraged the Deans to support initiatives from their college.

5. Learning Communities 2013-14

David Metzger discussed the implementation of Learning Communities and Living Learning Communities for 2013-14. Deans, department chairs and faculty will be invited to express their interest in developing a learning community or a living learning community for 2013-14. The Learning Commons/Student Success Center Governance Team will provide feedback to faculty who express interest in developing a learning community. Information sessions and directions for developing a request for funding support will be provided in November.

6. Proposal for Implementation of the New Undergraduate Writing Proficiency Requirement

David Metzger discussed a proposal for implementation of the undergraduate writing proficiency requirement that took effect in fall 2012. The proposal provides an option for students with experiential learning or transfer credit for the content of a writing intensive (W) course and for students who complete all requirements for graduation except for writing proficiency to be able to meet the writing requirement without taking an additional W course at ODU. Council members made several suggestions for revisions to the proposal and supported the concept of alternatives for students. David Metzger will work with the ad hoc group that developed other implementation procedures on the details of implementing the proposal and whether other options should be considered.

7. Proposal for a Master of Science in Athletic Training

Council members discussed the proposal for a Master of Science in Athletic Training and suggested several revisions. The degree program exists currently as a track with the M.S.Ed. in physical education. Carol Simpson noted that the proposal is not final and that Brenda Lewis, faculty involved in the program and Monica Osei from SCHEV are continuing to work on the proposal. Dr. Lewis stated that most of the changes needed concern the format and are not substantive. Council members supported the concept of a master's degree in athletic training.

Once the proposal is finalized, it will be sent to the Faculty Senate and the Board of Visitors. The final version will be shared with the Provost's Council.

8. The Education Alliance of Greater Hampton Roads - EAGHR

Linda Irwin-DeVitis asked for input on whether Old Dominion should be represented on the Education Alliance of Greater Hampton Roads (EAGHR), a non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide public and private organizations with information, resources, and opportunities relating to higher education. After discussion, Dr. Irwin-DeVitis agreed to attend the first meeting to learn more about the group and our participation. She will distribute information about the group's upcoming resource fair to the Deans.

9. Announcements

- A. Chandra de Silva announced that two nominees will be submitted for the Virginia Outstanding Scientist of the Year Award for 2012
- B. Virginia's First Annual Open and Digital Learning Resources Conference will be held at the University of Mary Washington on March 7, 2013. An announcement has been sent to faculty regarding proposal submissions.
- C. Carol Simpson encouraged Council members to nominate individuals for the Diversity Champion Award. Nominations for spring are due March 15, 2013.
- D. Carol Simpson thanked the Deans for their work on the WEAVE assessment reports and asked them to ensure that all the action plans are completed.