**QUIK NOTES**

**Faculty Senate Meeting**

**Monday October 10, 2016**

**NAU President’s Report (presented by Joanne Keene)**

* This weekend (October 14-16) is homecoming weekend. NAU has been working with city and police on issues surrounding the various events to be held.
* Searches:
  + VP of Capital Planning and Operations is ongoing. They have narrowed the list from over 100 applicants to 10 candidates to be interviewed. Finalists should be on campus the first week of November. There will be open forums as part of these visits.
  + The search for a VP for Research will be conducted using a search firm. The President’s office is looking at hiring a search firm and looking for a Chair for this search committee. If you know of someone you think would be a good fit please contact her office.
  + A search for an Alumni Director is underway. Two finalists list will be on campus the week of October 24.

**Provost’s Report (presented by Dan Kain)**

* Budget:
  + The budget for this fiscal year has been approved but not posted yet.
* Salary increases:
  + There is no final decision on the formula at this time. However now that the budget is set, those decisions should be made soon.
  + The issue of part-time faculty merit increases are still in the discussion stage. The president heard the questions raised on this issue and it is on her radar now.
* Personnel:
  + Candidates for the position of Dean of Health and Human Services have been selected for airport interviews.
  + The search for a Dean of CAL is underway. An ad for this position has been approved and will be posted soon.
  + The search for a Dean for The W. A. Franke College of Business is also underway but slightly behind some of the other searches in its progress. The Provost’s Office is working with the search firm which is reviewing a draft profile description of the job. A posting should go out soon.
  + A search for a Vice Provost for Academic Personnel will be posted later this week. (NOTE: The announcement has been posted and distributed to faculty) This will be an internal search they hope to be able to consider candidates early in November with a start date of January 2017.
* The Provost expressed his gratitude to faculty for their efforts towards retention.
* ABOR Meeting
  + ABOR’s Academic Affairs Committee approved the dissolution of University College and two new academic programs.
  + He noted that the “Breakfast with the Regents” went very well. The Regents he spoke to said it was inspiring.

**Senate President’s Report**

* The Regents were pleased with the conversation that took place during the “Breakfast with the Regents”. They were impressed with what we do.
* Two searches not previously mentioned, are the search for a Chief Legal Counsel which resulted in the hiring of Michelle Parker as well as her replacement. Both of these were full searches and both search committees included Faculty Senate representation.
* The work continues regarding extended campuses and how it fits into the university mountain campus, community campuses, and online.

**College Net: (Pauline Entin and Mikhael Star)**

Class room scheduling for 2017 spring semester will be done using the new software program College Net. This program has already placed about 85% of all classes. There were some problems identified after the schedule was published. Units got back to them with problems and questions. It was noted that if you don’t give the program all the information, mistakes will occur. FCB identified specific problems, College Net made errors in installation, they are correcting those now.

**Carmen Phelps Chief Diversity Officer**

Carmen has been working on developing a Diversity Strategic plan, to be completed by the end of spring semester. She is meeting with constituencies across campus to determine what the diversity plan should be. The plan will also include metrics to measure whether we are achieving these goals.

Scheduled meetings with faculty are on Carmen’s webpage which also includes dates for faculty, staff, and student discussions.

**David Faguy, AVP Regulatory Compliance Officer**

David is forming a campus wide university campus safety committee to promote a culture of safety on campus to look at how we are doing things from a safety standpoint. This is not just referencing laboratories, etc. but also whether we are create a welcoming environment in compliance with all laws.

**Announcements**

President Cheng will hold a campus forum on October 18 from 3 to 4:30 PM at the High Country Conference Center.