RHE Deans Meeting
September 1, 2015 | 10:30 am – 3:00 pm

Attendees: Willan, Tuck, Anderson, Pennington, Howard, Cushman, Abraham, Smith

10:35 am – 11:30 am Provost Benoit
The Provost provided a review of the “OHIO for Ohio” vision and the comprehensive approach the university is taking to expand opportunities for students across the state. She reinforced that the Dublin location is not limited to health related programming and could provide an opportunity for growth. The Provost would like to see a vision statement for each campus and overall for Regional Higher Education.

Willan shared that the Eastern and Zanesville campuses recently met with their co-located community college partners. Both meetings went well and outlined opportunities for expanded collaboration.

The Provost and the deans discussed the most recent Board of Trustees meeting and the presentation by Robert Zemsky.

The Provost provided an overview of the university’s relationship with the Huron Group. Given the extensive data requests that have been made by the state and the Governor’s Task Force, Huron has been tasked with collecting and analyzing information that will enable OHIO to appropriately respond to the required reports with identified efficiencies and growth opportunities.

11:30 am – 3:00 am Updates and Discussion Items

Leadership Debrief
Willan will continue to provide the deans with updates about the conversations with the College of Business about connecting the BSAM to additional audiences, specifically businesses in central Ohio. The deans generally support pursuing the conversations.

CC+ Implementation
Advising Expectations – there are concerns that the advising load required for CC+ is increasing at a rate that will outpace staffing levels. Tuck asked if there are possibilities for shared positions that could address the need. This will be investigated.

Books – several of the campuses have experienced issues in securing enough books for students. A request has been made to the Registrar’s office to create a specific textbook report that includes CC+ numbers. The goal is to have this in place by spring semester.

Enrollment
Howard will forward updated information once it is available from Institutional Research. Early reports show a decrease in FTE across the regional system. The downturn in FTE can generally be attributed to the decrease in high school graduating students and nontraditional enrollments.
Compensation & Budget
The deans reviewed updated budget information for SU15 and projections for AY15-16.
- **Summer Pay Rates** - as previously communicated, SU16 teaching rates will be the same as those for FA15 and SP16.
- **OULN and P2P Compensation** – further discussion is needed about the compensation models for OULN and P2P delivery. The regional associate deans will be asked to take a look at the current processes.

1:00 – 1:45 Huron Group (Kevin Copeland and Michael Stallworth)
The Huron representatives provided the deans with a brief overview of their charge to assist the university. The deans were asked to describe the organization and operation of the individual campuses and the RHE system.

Work Study Students
Federal work study guidelines and limitations will continue to be enforced on the regional campuses.

December Graduation Event
The campuses are each considering how to implement December graduation events, given President McDavis’s recent announcement about the addition of a fall commencement.

Global Learning Strategy
- **COIL RFP** – Cushman reviewed the COIL RFP with the deans. The deans will review the idea with their faculty and will discuss at the next dean’s meeting. The deans generally support funding up to two faculty from their respective campus to participate.

DSI
The Lancaster campus is reviewing the program and determining its long-term viability. The program is struggling to identify internship opportunities for students who are enrolled, something that is required in order for students to earn their interpreter license. The individual DSI courses are expected to continue to be consistently offered.

Student Organization Software
The deans would like more information about the associated costs before making a decision.

Women of Appalachia Conference
Zanesville is interested in reinstating the Women of Appalachia Conference. The deans were supportive of this plan.

Other
FLSA reports are due to Howard by September 30.

The deans agreed that campus center directors should be added to RHE Leadership meetings going forward.
2:30 – 3:00 Kent Scott, Auxiliaries
Scott introduced Cris Schmitt and Amber Crosbie to the deans. Campus-specific information was reviewed. Scott reviewed the efforts auxiliaries made over the summer to increase efficiency and profits for the campuses. Bobcat Cash is now available on the regional campuses. Southern campus renovations will start September 21 and hope to conclude in December. Schmitt announced that the kiosks are now fully operational for textbook sales. Schmitt acknowledged that the CC+ numbers have increased over PSEOP. Schmitt is meeting with Anderson and Rob Callahan to discuss CC+ textbook concerns. Pennington confirmed that small events can still have local catering.

3:00 – Adjourn

Upcoming Events:

- September 9 Ohio Board of Nursing at OUZ
- September 11 Promise Lives Campaign Celebration
- September 12 Southern Campus Tailgate
- September 25 RHE Leadership Meeting
- November 2-4 HLC Accreditation Visit
- November 13 OHIO Foundation Board Meeting