DATE: February 18, 2014  
TIME: 11:00 am.  
PLACE: BSC 336  
PRESIDING: James Callaghan, Vice-President for Academic Affairs

1. Invocation -- Will Mullins, Chaplain


3. Agenda February 18, 2014 approved.

4. President’s Report - President Steele commended faculty for having approved the curricular framework for the new Gen. Ed. President Steele encouraged faculty to use the time ahead to be creative and to take this opportunity to think about Gen. Ed in its truest sense, and to also be creative about ways to engage and connect students to majors, departments and divisions.

5. Report, Academic Programs Task Force - Dr. Rick Nutt stated the Taskforce had met on Friday and had done some tweaking to documents sent to the faculty for today’s meeting. He asked faculty to note the deadline of March 7th for department chairs to provide tentative lists of courses in current LAE that are proposed for a corresponding category in the new Gen. Ed. These courses do not need approval to transfer to the new curriculum. The next step is to gather courses to put into categories and then take that to the Curriculum Committee. Dr. Nutt emphasized that everything to this point is tentative and can be changed as needed.

6. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Recommendations -- Dan Wilson, Registrar

   A. 2015-2016 Traditional Undergraduate Academic Calendar amended to reflect last day to withdraw from Spring semester. Amended calendar approved.

7. Report, Faculty Executive Secretary- Dr. Stephen Van Horn had no new items to report. He requested faculty to send him informational items for the upcoming Board Report.

8. Report, Vice-President for Academic Affairs- Dr. Callaghan reminded faculty that Faculty Development Grant applications are due Feb. 28, and that Muskie Fellows Grant applications are also due Feb. 28. Summer textbook adoptions deadline: March 3. He noted that Palmer Gallery now has a preliminary web-page accessible through the Academic Affairs web-page that lists schedule and exhibition information, and that the page will be further developed. The Palmer Gallery will be showcasing artwork by students and teachers from the Lanzhou Education Bureau beginning Feb. 27.

9. Announcements – Meri Linn McCollum will be offering a Faculty Development Workshop on Feb. 25 at 11:00 am in PBC 370 regarding the teaching of writing and reading to students who are not native speakers of English. The Special Events committee reminded faculty of the Mathemagician that will be on campus Thursday at 7:00pm in Boyd.

10. Adjourned 11:25am.