

ACADEMIC ADVISING COUNCIL MINUTES
Thursday, April 19, 2018
3:30 PM – 4:45 PM
BOCA: EE106; DAVIE: LA139; JUPITER: SR270; FT. LAUDERDALE: HEC608

Opening

- A. Admissions Update
 - a. Results of March and April events; total of over 4000 people on campus for all three events.
 - b. Two Choose FAU days in March where we welcomed admitted freshman students.
 - i. Doubled attendance from last year.
 - ii. Included a live onboarding tent. This was a popular area.
 - iii. Financial aid and scholarships session was the most popular breakout session.
 - iv. Conducted a survey of attendees. If you are interested in the results, contact the Admissions office.
 - c. Explore FAU day in April.
 - i. Attendance similar to last year.
 - ii. Meeting with partners on campus to process the event.
 - iii. College showcase this year instead of breakout sessions. Provides an opportunity for students to speak to colleges.
 - d. Fall Explore events where we will target high school seniors.
 - i. Currently scheduled for October 13, 2018 from 9am-2pm. Colleges will present a portion of the program that will end around 11am.
 - e. Admissions Numbers: Goal is to enroll 3200 freshman students in Summer/Fall 2018.
 - i. 150 freshman students confirmed for Early Start so far-target is 200. If you have students who are interested in this program-direct them to the Admissions office.
 - ii. Transfer students-Goal is to keep same #. Do not want to go lower. Lower admits so far this year versus last year. Currently reviewing students applying with 90+ credit hours.
 - f. 1800 more applications than last year and 1500 more students admitted than last year. 560 more deposits versus this time last year.
 - g. May 1 is tuition deposit deadline. Will accept tuition deposits after this date if we do not reach the goal, which is 3500 tuition deposits.
- B. Orientation Update
 - a. None
- C. University-Wide Updates-Dean Pratt
 - a. None

Old Business

None

New Business

- A. First Generation Student Programming-Ron Oliver
 - a. FAU has created a support office for First Generation students.
 - b. Ron Oliver is the new Director of the First Generation Student Success office.

- c. Goal: To develop an office for First Generation students where they feel comfortable. To serve as a main resource for these students on campus.
 - d. Want to identify issues and concerns First Generation students have in order to ensure they are connected to resources and to develop programming to address those issues and concerns.
 - e. First Gen and Proud student organization. Currently 45 students.
 - f. This office will be responsible for the Kelly/Strul Emerging Scholar program. Currently have four students and will be looking for 10 more in the future.
 - g. Will also house Urban Male Initiative (UMI) as well as the RISE program. Last year the RISE program provided over 200 books to students in need.
 - h. Currently the office is in the recruiting stage. Trying to find the students and ensure they get connected to specific events. If you come across any First Generation students-connect with Ron Oliver. Goal is to make himself visible on campus. Currently office is located in HPT.
 - i. Website is in development and plans to launch in a few weeks.
- B. Allison Rodgers-Associate Director for Commuter Student Services.
- a. New student support services office for freshman and sophomore commuter students (up to about 59 credit hours).
 - b. Currently helping with tuition deposit phone calls and helping students navigate the Owldone portal. This has been informative to see where students are and what services they might need.
 - c. Putting together a list for students of the best places to study/rest/dine on campus. If you have any ideas to contribute-contact Allison directly (rodgersa@fau.edu).
 - d. Goal is to help commuter students transition positively to university and provide additional support to those students living off campus. Will be visible at orientations this Summer.
 - e. Located in SS8-Room 226; the Dean of Students office.
- C. Introduction of new AAC Leadership!
- a. Demarus Johnson (djohnson@fau.edu), Chair and Tamsyn Carey (tcarey2@fau.edu), Vice Chair
 - b. Email if you have ideas or changes you would like to bring to the table.
 - c. See this group as a venue for advisors to use our voice. Feel it is important to discuss things that go on in our offices and get some professional development opportunities. Bring back to our roots as a group.
 - d. Next meeting tentatively in September.
 - e. Want advisors to be able to help our students and further our own professional development.
- D. Civitas Training-if you have not gone through the training-talk to your director. Currently this tool is live at FAU.

Attachments

None