BOR/ CRIMINAL JUSTICE RAC

2.7.19

Meeting began: 9:40 am

Dorinda Davis, Chair.

-o The chair is a 2 year appointment. We will need to elect a chair elect to shadow current chair.
-o Jennifer Allen, Information Officer has left and we need to elect an Information Officer for the BOR/ RAC

BOR Chair Meeting attended by Dorinda Davis:

-o BOR is going through a restructure. As part of this they are requesting RACs more active.
-o They are requesting a point person for curriculum approval.
-o They want liaisons for individual RACs.
-o New coordinator for BOR/RAC is Barbara Brown.
-o Our new point of contact at the BOR- Michael Pizarek.
-o Overview provided in powerpoint.

Approval for last mtg. minutes. Moved & Seconded.

BOR Directives:

#1- BOR Math Pathways. They are requesting that programs encourage students to take math modeling instead of college algebra.

Issues:

-o Most stats classes in the CRJU major have or want Algebra I as a pre-requisite.
-o Bach. of Science v. Bach. of Arts
-o Suggestion to have dual paths--- Stats for those going into the field are done in excel. Stats for those going to higher levels of edu. Done in SPSS.
-o This would bring up issues in the community college and technical college system.
-o BOR wants us to hash this out and provide a uniform decision.
-o Proposal to have longer meeting to come up with recommendations.
#2- Momentum Year Initiative focusing on Credit by Exam (CBE)

Issues:

- Criminal Justice would utilize DSST
- Idea is to promote uniformity
- Columbus State transfers up to 12 hours from POST training. It is BOR approved. The curriculum of the POST matches with class. This process is done on a case by case basis. A Ph.D. in the field evaluates POST content to match to class credit.
- POST courses are not the same rigor of higher ed. Classes. Classes involve more contact time.
- BOR is wanting a DSST test consistent across state CRJU programs
- BOR sent syllabus, etc. for 2 courses.
- Program Map Concept for freshman with the hope of aligning CBE courses.
- Possible recommendations: DSST exam doesn’t meet rigor and we are willing to create our own.

Other news:

BOR wants a representative from our group to vet new courses? Programs?

- Distance learning and other innovative learning is a topic of discussion.
- Columbus State and Albany State offer the Nexxus Degree.
- GA Highlands approved for E-major and now part of the CJ Consortium.

Send recommendations for DSST/CBE and math pathways issue.

New Business:

- Elect appointment for new RAC communications officer- Sara Doude, Georgia College,
- Chair Elect for RAC rep.- Melchor C. deGuzman, Georgia Gwinett
- Need point person for program evaluation other than chair.
- Recognition by BOR for RAC reps. Who is officially fulfilling these roles? Emails will be sent to clarify.

Adjourn- 10:58a.