6/22/2021

CUCAO MEETING (ZOOM)

* The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. Dr. Alexander offered words of welcome. New members on the Zoom meeting were asked to introduce themselves and then all others introduced themselves and said hello.
* The agenda was unanimously approved after a Wims/Edwards motion.
* The minutes of the last meeting were approved unanimously after a Shelton/Curtis motion.
* Curtis – Treasury report
  + $5031.66 as of May 26th; ACHE provided info
* Dr. McGill presentation

ACHE update for CUCAO

* + Program review updates
    - Record number of these at last meeting, good that they are using new forms.
  + Noted people are doing viability studies (having conditions extended is becoming difficult)
  + Active RFP for developing micro credentials

Alabama Demand Occupations (ACCCP 2020-2021)

* Use the list as you develop new programs, no consultant needed
* Work based learning (experimental learning) (high impact learning)
  + Alabama Office of Apprenticeship
  + UNA has branded its QEP as experimental and work base learning focused
  + Apprenticeship can help beef up wages to get people in
* Aiming to develop policy around micro credentials
  + 5K grants to multiple institutions for micro credentials (can go to delivery or an honorarium to faculty)
  + UNA has developed and implemented 15+ micro credentials
    - All online most developed in partnership with industry

Credential Finder- tool for exploring all of the information published to the credential registry (credentialfinder.org)

* + 1330 credentials registered by AL most from community colleges
  + Ultimate goal is to create a seamless connection between Alabama Demand Occupations
    - What’s next?
      * Competency classification system
      * Goal to create Competency Based Profile Tool
      * Higher education is definitely in mind when developing this tool
  + Announcements from McGill
    - Alabama Women’s Hall of Fame – was at Judson College, looking for a new home
    - Request for proposals
    - ACHE webinars
    - Noted, 10k responses for survey
* Wims- Thanks for presentation
  + Questions
    - Asked about Women’s Hall of Fame, just higher Ed?
    - Any accomplishments?
    - Ask about extensions?
    - How to best approach such requests?
  + Wims noted 8yrs. With look at 3yr. avg.
  + McGill noted
    - 5 to 7 years is new standard on post implementation
    - 8 years with a look at 3 years average
  + McGill noted
    - Legislature mandated viability requirements, ACHE does have oversight over how things are calculated
    - Clean up on things to align
* Dr. Edwards
  + 2-3 things we need to come to an agreement on; they manage transfer alignment and there are discrepancies.
    - AP SCORES
      * AGSC in general education courses recommend a cut score of 3 (equivalent of C, college board) in general education for all state institutions
      * Report cut score on website and bulletins
    - Alexander mentioned this first came up in 2017, which shows we are better than we were years ago.
    - Edwards asked for responses to report back to AGSC
    - Goodwin said AU has the most 4’s across the board as requirements
    - UNA said they were already at 3
    - Alexander said they had 4 or 5 that needed changing (retirement and new blood helped)
    - McGill shared that college board shared a grid to show what peer inst. were doing
      * Who are the students with 3’s to see who they are, and how they are doing
      * Catherine Wehlbury noted there are instances where 4’s (the two sequence) get this amount of credit and 3’s (1 course) gets this amount
      * Christine Curtis and Christie Shutton noted that same or similar with regards to higher level courses vs a core or lower course sequence
* 2nd issue
  + Making a fairly significant change (to do away with full sequence) originated from College of Business
  + Currently full sequence in history or full sequence in literature
  + Open up for macro and micro
  + Feedback from this body is wanted to tack back to AGSC
  + Kent spoke about pros and cons, pros outweigh the cons.
  + Prepared to go forth with USA and UNA
  + Time, money, and credit to be saved possibly
  + A&M said they are pretty split
  + Wims said he personally would support because of being on the agriculture side, also stated the biggest push back come from athletics
  + Pettis agreed
  + AU and JSU supports, forward emails to Edwards or Alexander about sentiments
* Outcomes based funding
  + No new news, but keep it on your mind as not to be surprised later, be able to start where we left off vs anew
  + New funding vs base funding; McGill echoed not to effect schools bottom line
* FY 22 budget in house
  + Any thoughts regarding state appropriations, one-time bond issues, ending of FY 21… NONE
* Pandemic/Post Pandemic Planning
  + Conversations about the new normal (now and for the next few years)
  + UNA not going back to FALL 2019
  + Any issues- Tim Edwards, anyone requiring proof of vaccinations? NONE
    - Some schools who said it, other places have backed off
  + Godwin – office of accessibility requests to take on campus course online will not be an accommodation (they will work with faculty to see how to navigate)
  + UNA, many people changed how they do commencement (many like the idea of 5 ceremonies), Live stream added by Wehlbury
* The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m. after a Godwin/Edwards motion.