

**Dean's Council
March 9, 2011
Minutes**

Members Present: Russell Lowery-Hart, Joy Brenneman, Bill Crawford, Daniel Esquivel, Shawn Fouts, Patsy Lemaster, Jerry Moller, Carol Moore and Lou Ann Seabourn

Members Absent: Renee Vincent

Others Present:

Reduction of Summer Course Offerings

Due to budget constraints, the number of course offerings during the Summer 2011 semester will be reduced.

Course Redesign

An event is scheduled for Friday, March 25, 2011 featuring Carolyn Jarmon, vice president of the National Center for Academic Transformation, who will introduce faculty to a course redesign process. All faculty are encouraged to attend. The English department has been the first department selected to participate in the redesign process, but any faculty interested are encouraged to participate. A stipend may be available through the Title V grant to faculty who participate in the course redesign process.

Academic Affairs Committee Changes

Beginning Fall 2011, the name of the Academic Affairs Committee will change to Curriculum Committee. The Committee will make curriculum recommendations to the Vice President of Academic Affairs. Permanent membership will include 4 academic deans (Dean of Academic Transfer, Dean of Career & Technical Education, Dean of Academic Success and Dean of Health Sciences) who will rotate as chair, the Vice President of Student Affairs, the Registrar and the Director of Advising. Other members consist of 6 faculty members and 3 department/division chairs who will serve 3 year terms.

A suggestion was made to clearly distinguish between items to be reviewed by the Academic Affairs Committee and the Dean's Council.

Budget

Proposed tuition and fee increases and tax increases will be presented to the Board of Regents on March 29, 2011 for approval.

Russell will email the cost study analysis report to the Council.

Council discussed the budget at length.

New Items

A decision for a new LMS system should be made in Fall 2011 with full implementation for Fall 2012.

Adjourned at 3:00.