

Dean's Council
October 20, 2004

Dr. Hoppe attended the meeting. She spoke about the proposed October budget revisions. Initially, 12 new faculty positions have been approved. That means approximately \$750,000 of the budget revisions will go toward new faculty salaries and benefits. Additionally, funds will be allocated to fund a switchboard operator position.

Dr. Hoppe also mentioned investigating the return of scholarship football. The supposed savings from discontinuing scholarship football never really existed. Additionally, without scholarship football, we are missing something with rivalries. It is a good thing to play teams that other people have heard of. If the return to scholarship football happens, it probably will occur in 2007. Fundraising will be done to see if the majority of funds can come from private sources; perhaps alumni football players?

The new grants director was introduced. His name is Ed Davis. He will be working a half-time schedule until December when his agreement with the City of Clarksville ends. His hours are 8 am to 9 am, Monday – Friday with additional hours Friday, 2 pm to 5 pm.

Greg Schutz spoke about the long term storage of Faculty/Student evaluations. For future evaluations, one copy will be printed and given to departments to pass onto the respective faculty member for their dossier. An electronic database will be created with the evaluations and maintained by Greg Schutz's department. Academic Deans will have access to this database.

There was question about the assigning of the FA grade. The bulletin states this grade is an unofficial withdrawal grade but many faculty assign it when the student has not withdrawn from the class. For example, faculty syllabus states 5 absences and student fails the class. Student is absent 5 times. Do they get an F ? or an FA? Further qualification as to the purpose of the grade will be sought by Academic Affairs.

Regents Degree program for Masters of Professional Studies was unveiled. How can Austin Peay take advantage of this RODP program? What classes can we offer to support this degree?

Charles Pinder spoke about the IRB committee and how few of its members seem to be attending their meetings. The committee will start meeting once a month instead of the twice a month previously required. A question was also raised as to the makeup of this committee. Should certain departments always have members on the committee?