

Provost's Report for Faculty Senate
Monday, September 20, 2010

"We change lives of people who change the world." Dr. W. E. Kirwan, Chancellor of the University System of Maryland and co-chair of the Knight Commission on Intercollegiate Athletics. Luncheon Speaker, Kentucky Governor's Trusteeship, September 13, 2010.

STATE AND NATIONAL EMPHASIS

Lumina and Southern Region Education Board (SREB) Goals:

Lumina Foundation's "Big" Goal: College-attainment rate of 60% by 2025. The United States is currently 8th in the world in percent of citizens who hold college degrees.

SREB States' Goal: Increase significantly the numbers of students who complete postsecondary career certificates and associate and bachelor's degrees, so that 60 percent of each state's adults ages 25-64 will have one of these credentials by 2025.

If Kentucky continues to increase rates at the current rate of the decade (2000-2008), we will have a college attainment rate of 39 percent in 2025.

CPE's Strategic Plan – CPE is focusing on the following:

- College Readiness
- Student Success
- Efficiency and Innovation
- Research and Economic Development

CPE's Diversity Policy - CPE is close to approving a statewide Diversity Policy that will require each institution to develop a Diversity Plan. Sandra Moore will lead the EKU initiative, working with the Strategic Planning Council and a broad-based group appointed by President Whitlock.

CPE - Program Evaluation and Review - Criteria are being developed for a new approach to CPE's program evaluation and review.

STUDENT SUCCESS

1st-Day Disenrollment – Thanks to faculty response and participation, the new "Use It or Lose It" policy was overall successful based on reports of faculty and chairs. Specifically,

- Students were able to add classes that had been "closed" previously.
- Fewer "last minute" sections had to be added, reducing the number of part-time faculty.
- Students who are not attending EKU were identified and removed from our tracking. The Registrar identified 72 students who were still listed on class rosters, but who had apparently decided not to attend EKU this fall.
- Several faculty reported having a higher percentage than usual of students in class the first day.

Early Alert – Although EARS (Early Alert Retention System) in the future will be the third week of the semester, faculty will be asked this semester to report students' non attendance during the sixth week. Our new Hobson's

system (CRM retention software) will allow (a) a consolidated and easier reporting system for faculty and (b) a more automated follow-up system with students.

Retention Data

Although EKU met a number of the enrollment goals for Fall 2010, we fell slightly short on reaching retention and graduation goals. Official data will be available October 15.

Meaningful Measure	Unofficial Data Fall 2010	Fall 2009
Total Enrollment	16,525	16,268
Undergraduate Enrollment	14,395	13,991
Graduate Enrollment	2,130 (Goal: 2,313)	2,277
First-Time Freshmen <i>Class of 2014</i>	2,697 (Goal: 2,715)	2,564
Retention Rate of Fall 2009 First-time Freshmen	67.4 (Goal: 69.3)	68.3
Six-Year Graduation Rate	37.5 (Goal: 38.4)	37.7
Degrees Awarded	3,053 (Goal: 3,150)	3,067
On-line Enrollment	3,695 (Goal: 3,800)	3,619
Regional Campus Enrollment	2,155 (Goal: 2,186)	2,152

Degree Works – Orientation Teachers and Advisers are encouraged to ensure all freshmen have a **four-year plan** in Degree Works.

Advising – **Advising** was the topic of the Annual Deans’/Chairs’ Workshop this summer. The outcome was a consensus that we should overhaul our advising system so it becomes more than a scheduling session for students to get RAC numbers. The deans have invited me to meet with each college this fall to discuss advising and other topics faculty want to discuss.

Assessment – The summer Assessment Retreat resulted in a new workgroup focusing on a comprehensive model for assessment for the purpose of reducing duplication while increasing meaningful feedback to faculty and programs. E. J. Keeley, Rose Perrine, Stacey Street, Kate Williams, and Garrett Yoder comprise the workgroup.

Invitation to Lunch

Faculty Senators are invited to lunch on Wednesday after each Faculty Senate meeting to continue discussion from the Senate or open new topics to discuss. This month’s luncheon will be Wednesday, September 22, 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room, Powell Building. Please sign in with either cashier.

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