Administrative Council for Extension and Experiment Station Research Meeting

Friday, February 7, 2020

1:30-3:00 p.m. 130 Burruss Hall Conference Room

Attendee: Candice Albert, Bob Smith, Greg Daniel, Alan Grant, Ben Grove (via Zoom), Alan Grant, Steve Kleiber, Saied Mostaghimi, Elizabeth Hooper (via Zoom) Rebekah Gunn (via Zoom), Ken Smith, Cyril Clarke

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions (Cyril Clarke)

2. Discussion Items

a.) Approval of Meeting Minutes (Mallory Miller)

Minutes from the November 2019 meeting were provided electronically with the current agenda. The minutes were approved.

b.) Agency 229 Salary Distribution (Ken Smith)

Prior to the meeting, the detailed Agency 229 Allocation of Time Confirmation Report was distributed to the 229 college deans and the VCE and AES directors for review and confirmation. This is an annual process carried out in conformity with the 2012 study by the Secretary of Education. Ken Smith provided a review of the confirmed report summary and the council reviewed and certified the report.

3. Updates

a.) Virginia Cooperative Extension (Ben Grove)

The VCE winter conference held at the Hotel Roanoke was well attended. 4-H was celebrated in the Capitol on the floor of the Senate.

A new 4-H event recognized contributions to the program and elevated the 4-H profile.

b.) Agricultural Experiment Station (Saied Mostaghimi)

AES is bringing faculty together from across the 229 colleges in March to discuss collaborating around the theme of host pathogens and infectious disease. The group will discuss opportunities and existing research strengths as well as incentive strategies and the added value of collaboration.

c.) Deans

College of Veterinary Medicine (Greg Daniel)

Daniel Givens was named the new dean of the college. He will begin on June 1, 2020.

The college is working closely with the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Service (VDACS) Veterinarian Division and have decided to have a joint appointment splitting time between the college and the VDACS diagnostics services.

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (Alan Grant)

Dwayne Edwards is the new department head for Biological Systems Engineering.

The director of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), Scott Angle, will be on campus in late spring.

College of Natural Resources and Environment (Candice Albert)

The college is in the process of hiring multiple faculty positions across the college and those new faculty will join the college in the fall.

4. Other Business

Elizabeth Hooper provided an update on the legislative process and the executive budget development.

The group discussed review the council bylaws. The last update took place in 2012.