Committee on Academic Advising

February 28, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Present: Mary Pat Bigley, Jan Bishop, Jalal Butt, Lee Einhorn, Jacqueline Guzman, Mary Horan, Chet Labedz, Sadie Marjani, Briana McGuckin, Kevin Oliva, Heather Rodriguez, Bin Zhou

1. January 31, 2018 minutes approved.
2. Yvonne Kirby (Office of Institutional Research) has advised changes to the format/structure of advising survey questions that require some knowledge of the program for administering the survey. Heather Rodriguez will review, and advise on revamping the survey questions.
3. Jalal Butt, Chair of Academic Affairs of the SGA, spoke about feedback he’s gotten from students about advising; he would like to share his knowledge, and get perspective to take back to students as well.
4. Data from the NSSE that might be of use to faculty advisors, to be distributed before registration:
   a. From “Respondent Characteristics” section, question about whether students attended another institution prior to CCSU? What kind?
   b. From “Respondent Characteristics” section, “What’s the highest degree you expect to achieve?”
   c. From “Respondent Characteristics,” question about 1st-generation students
   d. From “Respondent Characteristics,” “Where are you living?”
   e. From “Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons,” breakdown of how students spend their time over the course of a typical seven-day period, including: class preparation, work on- or off-campus, etc.
   f. From “Frequencies…”, “question about which activities students plan to complete before they graduate (e.g., internships)
5. Discussion: administration wants uniformity in advising experience. Reviewed past suggested topics for committee focus, especially long-term academic planning and major exploration activities in the school-based advising centers.

Respectfully submitted by Briana McGuckin