



Resident Faculty Organization

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY
TRI-CITIES

RFOEC Meeting

Date: 11/04/2020

Time: 11 am

Participants: RFOEC, VCSA

Location: Zoom

Attending: Chris, Kevin, Ryan, Paul, Sara, Kathleen

Agenda Items:

- I. Student Affairs Updates
 - a. Voter Engagement Center: Successful despite small numbers.
 - i. Will continue this for every election going forward.
 - b. Developing tools to allow us to send text messages to students
 - i. WSU Communication Policy
 1. Email is for *official* communication, not the only platform for communication.
 - c. New Mental Health Counselor
 - i. Support Groups Starting 11/13
 1. Covid-19
 2. Students with Children
 3. First year freshman
 - ii. Emphasizing first tier self-help resources over emergency intervention.
 - d. Student Engagement
 - i. Cougar packs have been very successful.
 - ii. Jordyn Creighton will be returning full time in January
 - iii. MOSAIC center coordinator; full time position search right now.
- II. Spring 2021 Enrollment Update
 - a. Emphasis on getting students advised and enrolled
 - b. Reaching out to unenrolled students for Spring enrollment.
 - c. Instate tuition to Umatilla county approved.
 - d. SEM (Strategic Enrollment Management) team put together to deal with obstacles in enrollment in the coming years.
 - e. Slide being put together by advising to emphasize importance of spring enrollment and for students.
 - f. Financial hold threshold being increased to \$500 for more students can enroll.

III. Graduate Recruitment

- a. Issues around state tuition waivers continues.
- b. Coordinate available resources to bring in more education graduate students.
 - i. Program coordinator for applications a needed position.
- c. Position of Graduate Recruiter in admissions office missed
- d. Faculty do not have time to recruit/assess/admit potential graduate students.

IV. Fall 2020

- a. UNC Faculty Organization report critical on university responses throughout country.
- b. There will still likely be some distant/high risk students from Fall 2020.
- c. Issues around image of University in terms of priorities (finances over students)