RFOEC Meeting

Date: 4/7/2021

Time: 1:00 pm

Participants: RFOEC, Vice Chancellor for Research

Location: Zoom

Attending: Christine, Bob, Kevin, Ryan

Agenda Items:

I. Opening Remarks
   a. Thoughts on Closing of the Semester
   b. Desire for Computer Science Lab
      i. Noel Schulz good resource
      ii. Linux Lab Discussion
      iii. Graduate Students in CS need more support TC campus.
          1. Allocation of TA appointments coming from a variety sources
   c. PNNL Graduate Fellowships
      i. Distinguished Graduate Research Program
         1. Collaboration between PNNL and WSU Faculty
         2. https://natlab.wsu.edu/dgrp/
         3. Requires both WSU and PNNL funding.
   d. 495: Upper Division Undergrads as TA
      i. Mostly used for grading as opposed to teaching labs.
   e. AWS
      i. Alternative to computer labs and kamiak usage
      ii. Some concerns
          1. Technical difficulties for students
          2. Equity issue of students accessing AWS
          3. Concern about ongoing costs.
   f. Discussion of Online and In Person Instruction

II. Academic Director job description
   a. Input Amount
      i. Relatively little input
ii. Prewritten Job Description was massaged

b. Implementation vs Description
   i. No academic directors are generally following their job descriptions.
   ii. Better alignment between VCAA’s desires and known responsibilities for Academic Directors
   iii. Creation of Guidelines by VC’s to delegate work appropriately to AD’s.
   iv. Decision-making process should be centered at appropriate level of relevance.

c. Term Lengths

d. FTE

e. Academic Director Faculty Meetings
   i. 1 General CAS per semester
   ii. Monthly Arts or Sciences Meeting
   iii. SEAS meetings monthly, departments weekly.

f. Generalize Implementation of “Program Leads” across programs.
   i. Vancouver has biweekly meetings between AD and Program Leads

III. Promotion meetings with groups of faculty
   a. Career-Track Meeting Upcoming
      i. 4/21, 3-4pm

IV. Computer replacement for faculty with/without grants -> Not discussed due to time