Admissions and Credits Committee September 15, 2021

Members Present

Ed Beason

Harry Ingle

Barbara Jared

Chris Kohl

Carol McGee

Robert Owens

Cynthia Rice

Andrew Smith

Dennis Tennant

Tom Timmerman

Stephanie Wendt

Rachel Wingo

Rena Wood

Members Absent

Cannon Johnson Seong Park Maelybeth Young

Guest

Brandon Johnson

Dr. Johnson opened the meeting, introduced himself and turned the meeting over to Mr. Ed Beason. Mr. Beason introduced himself and requested for the members to provide an introduction of themselves.

Approval of Agenda

Dr. Stephanie Wendt made the motion to approve the agenda as presented to the committee and Mr. Tennant second the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.

Approval of March 24 Minutes

Dr. Jared made the motion to approve the minutes as presented to the committee and Dr. Stephanie Wendt second the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Holistic Admissions Committee

Mr. Beason shared his experience with his work on this committee and gave some examples of the information provided to them by the applicants. Mr. Beason called for volunteers. Prof. Wingo, Mr. Tennant, Dr. Owens, Dr. Jared, and Mr. Ingle volunteered. Mr. Beason also agreed to serve.

Policy 1200 Undergraduate Admission Requirements (transfer) – Dr. Johnson

Mr. Beason turned the meeting back over to Dr. Johnson. Dr. Johnson shared with the committee how freshman applicants are currently reviewed for admission to the University who do not meet the admission requirements. We have a sliding scale for the freshman applicants to give the director authority to admit students without sending those applicants to the Holistic Review Committee. He shared with the committee what is taking place with transfer students who are applying to the University that are not meeting the admission requirements of the overall GPA and the last full-term GPA requirement. Dr. Johnson recommends that we look at changing how transfer student applicants are being reviewed. If the committee agrees to a sliding scale consideration, Academic Council will need approve but it doesn't take board approval. The committee members may change the policy but that will take Board of Trustees approval. Discussion was held by the committee. Dr. Johnson turned the meeting back over to Mr. Beason. Mr. Beason called for volunteers for a task force to review the admission of transfer students who are not currently meeting the requirement as stated in the policy. Mr. Beason offered to volunteer and others that agreed to serve were Rena Wood, Carol McGee, Cynthia Rice.

Such Other Items

Barbara Jared questioned if we were having any issues with receiving transcripts from other institutions. Dr. Johnson shared that he was not aware of any issues but let us know so that we may reach out to those institutions.

Meeting adjourned at 2:31.