

Council of Chairs
Dec. 2, 2014

Present: Alex Edwards, Bryan Hoyt, Robin Benke, Tom Costa, Margie Tucker, Suzanne Adams-Ramsey, Jeff Cantrell, Sandy Huguenin, David Klocek, John Adrian, Michael McNulty, Amelia Harris, Cathie Collins, David Kendall, Rusty Necessary, Elizabeth Steele

Absent: Amy Clark

Mr. Huguenin introduced Michael McNulty as the new chair of the Department of Visual and Performing Arts; he will assume the role at the end of this academic year.

Departmental budget requests should be turned in to the provost's office as soon as possible. Departments should take stock of what is needed, plan ahead and build your case. Requests are prioritized, and everything requested is included on the list.

Asked when ETF purchases would be announced, Mr. Huguenin said he would speak with Joe Kiser.

Rusty Necessary shared a preview of the College's new web site. The Admissions page has launched, with the rest of the web site expected to roll out in the next two months. The chancellor, faculty, students, and members from each vice chancellor's unit have been working for the past seven months on conception and development of the web site. TWG Plus, a marketing firm in Charlotte, N.C., is the developer. They also designed the new admissions materials. Mr. Necessary said the pages would be easier to view, and would load according to whether the viewer is using a PC, tablet or phone. Input on constructing the departmental web pages would be very much appreciated.

Committees on Summer Bridge and freshman advising have been meeting but plans are not final. Changes may be made to Expedition as well as orientation; there may be no freshman orientation in April 2015.

Ms. Harris noted that the SACS report due in March must show that at least nine programs have used data to make changes, and whether the changes worked or not. Changed implemented over the past two years may be used. Contact David Klocek for assistance.