Council of Chairs Jan. 30, 2018

Present: Bryan Hoyt, Amelia Harris, Sandy Huguenin, Jeff Cantrell, Robin Benke, Michael McNulty, John Mark Adrian, Jacob Somervell, Amy Clark, Tom Costa, Cathie Collins, Margie Tucker

Absent: Frank Frey

Mr. Huguenin said the RN to BSN program will go before the College Board on Friday and, if approved, to the Board of Visitors on March 2. Only the College's first online program will require SCHEV approval; subsequent online programs will be approved by the College Board and the BOV.

Our second new program being developed is the Master of Teaching. The earliest possible start date would be fall 2019 but that would be ambitious. It has been approved by the Academic Program Committee and the Faculty Senate. Monica Osei, associate director for academic programs and instructional sites at SCHEV, will be our guest early next week. Ms. Osei has offered to review our program proposals and provide input before they are formally submitted.

As part of the governor's initiative, a faculty committee will review a possible major in integrated science and technology.

Ms. Harris made several announcements.

- "Celebrate Appalachia" will be held March 9 and will feature presentations on topics related to Appalachia by faculty and students from all disciplines. Abstracts are due Feb. 16.
- The COPLAC undergraduate research conference will be April 13-14 at the University of South Carolina Aiken. Student presenters will be chosen based on their acceptance to NCUR and national conferences. Abstracts are due March 15.
- NCUR will be April 4-7 at the University of Central Oklahoma; 11 students will present.
- April 20 will be Research Day; classes will be canceled for the day-long event. Preference will be given to students who have not presented elsewhere this year. Abstracts are due April 2. Faculty will also present, and a reception will follow the event. This replaces the reception typically held to showcase undergraduate research.
- Summer College I dates are May 21-June 22; Summer College II will run June 27-Aug.
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- Asked about revising the liberal arts core, Ms. Harris replied that the committee will meet soon.