

Council of Chairs
March 29, 2016

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

Ms. Harris announced there are 22 students who will attend the COPLAC Undergraduate Research Conference.

Mr. Huguenin said that Darlene will call each Department Chair to schedule meetings with him, Dean Harris and the department faculty.

The General Assembly passed legislation setting a policy for acceptance of Advanced Placement credit among all Virginia colleges and universities. Each institution will review their AP scores and provide justification.

Mr. Cantrell said that CAEP (Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation) is moving toward requiring a minimum grade point average of 3.0 for teacher education programs, and 3.0 in the major for secondary education. This discussion is on-going and more information may be available when CAEP visits our campus in December.

Paul Smith, from SCHEV, will be on campus this week to discuss the Interstate Passport, a new program for transfer students. He will meet with the General Education Committee and other faculty.

Mr. Costa announced plans to ask the Faculty Senate to consider studying how classes are scheduled, in particular convocation blocks. It has become difficult to find meeting times for student groups because classes are being taught during convocation times. Classes scheduled for three days but actually taught longer on two days and not meeting the third day are also a problem.