FACULTY ADVISORY COUNCIL
College of Education and Human Development
Meeting Minutes
Feb. 27th, 2019 (1-2:30 p.m.)
801A Harrington Tower

I. Greetings and introductions. Drs. Thornton, Sandlin, Musoba, Laub, Harvey, Gagne and Craig attended.

II. Dr. Musoba will attend Dean’s Council for Dr. Gagne on March 3rd from 9-12.

III. Approved previous meeting minutes.

IV. Spring 2020 meeting schedule: 3/18 1-12:30pm in 715B; 4/27 2:30-4pm Room TBA; 5/11 1-12:30pm in 715B.

V. Faculty Evaluation Template: we have shared with our respective Department Heads for them to distribute to faculty for review and received some feedback. A couple of points Dr. Nafukho wants to share with FAC that addresses some of the feedback:
   a. The Faculty Evaluation Template is completed separate from Interfolio by peer evaluators. This evaluation is purely advisory, the ultimate responsibility is that of the Department Head who will submit their evaluation to Interfolio.
   b. The Faculty Evaluation Template is not intended to be universal for all departments or units (one comment we received was that it is “cookie cutter”). It is only a platform that is being used university-wide. There are placeholders throughout to indicate department or unit criteria. Therefore, all department or unit criteria can be retained.

Any additional feedback: When will we adopt this Faculty Evaluation Template, when Interfolio is rolled out?
VI. Multiple Year Appointments for APT Faculty. We shared with Department Heads to distribute to faculty for review. Most recent feedback has been incorporated by Deans Alexander and Nafukho into the latest version of the document (see attachment). FAC members voted to approve this set of guidelines for final Dean’s Council review on March 3rd.

VII. Transcription services and qualitative software: The Dean’s office is committed to supporting all faculty in their research endeavors and wants all of us to be successful. Therefore, any faculty who requires software and/or transcription services will be accommodated by IT and the college will pay for what they need. The computer labs in the college will also get some distribution of these software/services based on need. Lab loan-out for portable data analysis or transcription is a possibility. Note: these requests can’t be made for graduate students. Graduate students must use the labs or their faculty mentor can use their own funds to purchase software/services for them.

VIII. We are still waiting on the 1 University Professor and 1 SEC Teaching Excellence awards we have put forward.

ACES Fellows were granted on-campus interviews (2 from EAHR, 2 from EPSY and 2 from TLAC). One ESPY candidate withdrew because of a tenure-track job offer. One EAHR offer was accepted, one was declined. Two TLAC offers have been made, and one EPSY candidate just completed an interview. For ACES Fellows there are two hiring options:

a. Assistant Professor on tenure track with ACES Fellow status.
b. Visiting Assistant Professor with ACES Fellow status.

IX. Tenure and Promotion update. All files are at the President’s level and we should hear by the end of this week.

X. Dean’s Council Meeting: next meeting is on the first Tuesday in March.

XI. Dr. Sandlin introduced us to the relatively new Modified Attendance policy offered by the Disability Resources office on campus: https://disability.tamu.edu/modifiedattendance/. There are some
exceptions in place for courses that require in-class attendance for course assessments.

XII. Adjourn.