

MAFS Executive Board Minutes 1/20/16

Agenda Item	Notes
Attendance	Present: Dr. Achampong, Mike Doncheski, Ermek Nurkhaidarov, Kendra Sites, Somjit Barat, David Seitz, Dan Dandy.
Call to Order	Chair Ermek Nurkhaidarov called meeting to order at 12:25pm
1.MASF Agenda :	
1.1	Academic Affairs committee to report on the online/hybrid classes at next MAFS meeting.
1.2	IT committee to report on IT survey.
1.3	SNAP (Student Nurses' Association of Pennsylvania) Mont Alto Chapter to announce their community service projects.
1.4: New Semester Reminders	<p>Mike Doncehski and / or Dr. A. to include reminders for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Completion of FAR by 1/31/17 2. Early Indicators for Starfish due 1/31/17 3. Given the committee's discussion surrounded compliance training, Mike will provide clarity regarding compliance training: Is it annual or based on a 12-month cycle based on the employee's start date 4. Dr. A. may re-frame the less than favorable aspect of the VRP. While there will be a delay of one year for the Psychology program, there are no other losses in time or personal to the plan that he had originally proposed. Further information regarding the activities that Dr. A. has been pursuing in to obtain approval for permanent faculty positions and academic programs can be found on the Admin Council and Policy and Planning summaries.
Admissions, Budget & Etc.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Of the 31 students who were part of the '1 + 3' program, 11 will be staying an additional year at Mont Alto. 2. Transfer credit process, as noted by Mike, is much improved. What once took a many months is now often taking only weeks. 3. Mike also shared that Lion Path workarounds as well as internal improvements have had a very favorable impact in its use by Admissions. 4. While it is noted that the application-reply-process is improved, there is still a request that this process be completed more timely so PSU MA does not lose potential students to the competition. 5. Adult-learner applications are down nationally. Mike to see if this trend applies to the PSU MA campus. 6. Dr. A. shared that the designation for International Status is in the process of being re-considered. A set of standards will be created and if a campus does not meet these standards, the campus will no longer be designated as International
Utilizing Campus Space	Discussion resumed regarding the possibility of using the chapel as an area for student meditation. Although situated in close proximity to the police headquarters, the chapel itself is without on-premises supervision. This negates its use for many activities. No further action is planned at this time.

	<p>David Seitz shared his experience regarding his attempt to find funding for 12 Adirondack chairs for use on the quad area of the campus by students, staff and faculty. His request was denied, but the reason(s) were unclear. However, one possible reason may have been that the proposed colors were not in line with related polices. Subsequent conversation revealed that creating a space for student to student and student to faculty interaction would be congruent the mission of the campus theme. Consequently, David and Dan will meet to discuss the options and opportunities for this project.</p>
Adjournment	Chair Ernek adjourned the meeting at 1:10pm