Coles College Executive Committee Meeting  
September 17, 2013  
Summary Notes

Attendees:  Mandy Brooks, Jane Campbell, Lisa Duke, Kathryn Epps, Richard Franza, Juanne Greene, Brett Katzman, Debbie Lester, Michael Maloni, Neal Mero, Gayle Popham, Nancy Prochaska, Kathy Schwaig, Keith Tudor, Sheb True, Amy Woszczynski

Dean Schwaig welcomed everyone and gave a warm introduction to special guests, Neal Mero and Juanne Greene.

Neal Mero along with Juanne Greene gave an update on the DBA Program as it continues to evolve. They both are very proud of the work being done with dedicated faculty and staff. The program has 101 students total admitted.

Dean Schwaig spoke about the Liberal Arts Graduate Program. Gaia Marchisio conducted a feasibility study last academic year and found there is tremendous interest in this program. Tim Blumentritt is moving this program forward and the Dean has asked the Chairs to identify which faculty might be interested and to give their names to Tim.

Rick Franza gave an update on the Coles College Strategic Plan with three identified thrusts: focus on career management, engage with business and corporate community, and support quality research. Forthcoming are Coles College Faculty and Staff forums to request input with possible initiatives to complement the strategic plan.

Dean Schwaig gave a synopsis of the Coles budget to date. We were expecting numbers to be short from summer semester, but actually the numbers have gone up a bit. The Dean cautions that all monies continue to be tight and to be utilized with fruitful intention.

Sheb True presented a brief status on G.A.V.E. This program is Georgia Advancing Veterans Education is growing steadily and gaining positive attraction from business and community leaders.

With no further business, Dean Schwaig adjourned the meeting.