

**ADVISORY COUNCIL OF FACULTY SENATES**  
Remote meeting by ZOOM (COVID pandemic 2021)

**Tuesday January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 3:00-5:00 PM**

Discussion with Chancellor Criser – Spring semester updates

- Vaccines are at several institutions and the Johnson & Johnson will be coming soon. Face-to-face graduation may depend on vaccinations.
- Members requested advocacy for faculty, students, and staff to be moved up in vaccine priority.
- Concerns were expressed about legislation that limited programs for licensed mental health counselor to programs accredited by CACREP by 2025. CACREP limits accreditation to programs out of colleges of education. Psychology programs will have to give up programs at that time. This legislation puts planning and curriculum changes at the legislative level. The consequences of the legislation affect many SUS institutions.
- Members asked about changes in Carry Forward regulations. Carry forward needs to be spent within a reasonable amount of time. Many institutions hang on to balances too long. It looks like savings rather than encumbered funds. Changes in regulations have given institutions more flexibility in what can be covered.

Members thanked Chancellor Criser for joining the Council for the discussion.

COVID-19 and Other Issues

- Some institutions are going to omit Spring semester faculty evaluations from annual evaluations or give faculty the choice of whether to include them or not. Others give the choice to the chair of the department or did not make any changes in the use of evaluations.
- BOG materials include a new regulation on military experience counting for credit. There is a task force to look at courses that give credit now. It will come down to each institution to decide how offer credit.
- Attention to draft regulation 3.0003 Fraud Prevention and Protection. This regulation is not clear because of the overlap with other current policies at SUS institutions.

New Business

- The new athletic regulations would give 50% of revenues to student athletes.

- It was suggested that Faculty Senate Presidents work with institutional lobbyists on legislative issues.

Meeting adjourned.