Administrative Council for Extension and Experiment Station Research Meeting

Friday, February 5, 2016, 1:00PM-2:30PM

325 Burruss Hall Conference Room

Attendance: Thanassis Rikakis, Ken Smith, Cyril Clarke, Tim Hodge, Bob Smith, Alan Grant, Martin Daniel, Ed Jones, Steve Kleiber, Paul Winistorfer, Saied Mostaghimi

Agenda Items:

- 1. Welcome and Introductions (Ken Smith and Thanassis Rikakis)
- 2. Approval of Minutes from November 6, 2015 (Ken Smith)
 - a. Minutes from the last council meeting were provided electronically with the current agenda.
 - b. Minutes approved.
- 3. Discussion Items
 - a. 2016 Legislative Session (Tim Hodge)
 - i. The Council discussed the budget for 2016-2018 including technical adjustments due to language within the budget, the inclusion of the capital program, and the operating request for 229 was not included. Additional discussion included the faculty and staff salary increases and health insurance costs.
- 4. Updates
 - a. Virginia Cooperative Extension (Ed Jones)
 - VCE winter conference was a great success with more than 450 attendees.
 Appreciation was expressed to the Provost for attending in support of the conference.
 - ii. Legislative council visits will occur on Monday, February 9th.
 - b. Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station (Saied Mostaghimi)
 - i. Personnel changes were discussed in VES and at the ARECs.
 - ii. NSF ranking has VT listed 7th overall and 5th on federal funding.
 - c. Deans
 - i. College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS) (Alan Grant)
 - 1. Alan provided a federal budget update and discussed a potential USDA study.
 - ii. College of Natural Resources and Environment (CNRE) (Paul Winistorfer)
 - 1. Personnel changes were discussed.
 - 2. Faculty retention and the quantity and quality of CNNRE facilities were also discussed.
 - iii. College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) (Cyril Clarke)
 - 1. Cyril expressed gratitude for the COOP extension partnering with CVM recently for the Cattle Conference.
 - 2. Extended discussion regarding AAALAC accreditation. A detailed analysis of this issue will be prepared by the Office of Research and Innovation.

5. Other Business

- a. Certification of Salary and Percent of Effort Across Agency 229 and 208 (Ken Smith)
 - i. Ken distributed the information and reviewed the data with the group.
 - ii. Salary distributions were reviewed and confirmed by the colleges this fall.

- iii. Council approved the salary distributions.
- b. Performance Budget Model (Dr. Rikakis)
 - i. Dr. Rikakis spoke to the group about the new budget model and future implications for the 229 budget.