

## University Advisors' Network

Wednesday, November 15th

9:30-11:00am

Gressette Room

Members Kay Banks, Valeria Bates, Ed Black, Sonya Clemon, Brian Dusel, Amber Fallucca, Chrissie Faupel, Meghan Fields, Dawn Hiller, Rebecca Keilty, Loren Knapp, Trena Lee, Aaron Marterer, Bethany Naser, Drew Newton, Kristi Niro, T'Kara Richardson, Claire Robinson, Paul Stoltzfus, Heidi Waltz, and Donna Watson

Absent: Joseph Askins, Andre Grant, Stephen Lowe, Meredith McNeice, Ruth Patterson, Gina Polizzi, Jan Smoak, and Amanda Therrell

Handouts – Admissions Update for November

Approval of October minutes – Approved and seconded

### 9:30: Welcome

**Claire Robinson**

**Loren Knapp**

- Advising Students with Disabilities: Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> 9am-12:30pm in Close-Hipp
- Advisors Conference: *Advising Hacks: Best Practices* – Friday, Feb 16<sup>th</sup>
- Friday, Dec. 15 - 9-1230 - Advising Students with Disabilities presentation with Karen Pettus, to understand everything their office does with students
- They have a space on one of their forms where students can check to share their information with their advisors
- Training for all professional staff
- Advisors Conference on Feb 16<sup>th</sup> – **Advising Hacks: Best Practices**
- Call for proposals will be different; some repeat sessions of those highly attended last time; will be a keynote; then 2 sessions of hacks which will be 5 minutes each with 5 slides

### 9:35 Admissions Updates

**Ed Black**

- 2017 SAT scores higher and this is the new SAT really you just add 60 points to the old score and you have new score
- Seeing more ACT scores from SC high schools
- All material from prospective students must be in by Feb 1
- 18000 admitted for 2017 year (freshmen and transfer)
- For 2018 expect Honors and Capstone applications to rise
- 2017 Palmetto Fellows increased to 671
- 2017 Gateway had more out of state students than in the past
- 2018 applications are up
- So far 136 have paid enrollment deposit for 2018
- Katherine Hilson is forming a “recruitment council” which will meet in January 2018

- Student data requests from admissions there is a web address to submit those – <https://webapps.admissions.sc.edu/datarequest/index.php> or contact Deborah Staley at [staleyd@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:staleyd@mailbox.sc.edu)

## **9:50 Registration Updates**

**Aaron Marterer**

- Semester Honors Policy Change
- Current Transcript Trends: National Discussion on Disciplinary Notations on Transcripts
- Recommendations from both the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (Transcript Disciplinary Notations: Guidance to AACRAO Members, June 2017)
- Recommendation from the Association for Student Conduct Administration (ASCA Transcript Notation Position Statement).
- DegreeWorks Enhancement: Student Educational Planner
- Student Enrollment Services Building (Update)
- Name Pronunciation Software for Commencement (Update)
- 300000+ transfer evaluations have been completed
- Semester honors policy is now changing – 3.5 Deans List, 3.95 Presidents List
- No longer having a freshman honor policy since so many students are bringing in work making the student not really a freshman by hours earned.
- This change will go into effect for Fall 2018
- Discipline notation will be added to transcript if it is an egregious act defined by the Cleary Act.
- DegreeWorks is going through an upgrade this week with adding a new module
- This will be an enhancement of the notes section where the advisor and student can lay out all the courses needed to take for graduation or put in on a semester a placeholder for study abroad.
- 1244 Blossom is now to be referred to as Student Enrollment Services Building – registrar, bursar, financial aid, and a few offices from admissions
- Name pronunciation software – where the student records how the name should be pronounced
- The move to have student's preferred name and/or nickname area to be added to Banner currently for the advisee list and the class roster

## **Anti-Discrimination Student Training**

**Drew Newton**

- This component is called *Think About It* is aimed at the new freshmen and transfer students. This is part of the agreement with the DOJ.
- New student deadline for completing this is Feb 1 then a hold will be put on student record for summer or fall registration.
- There is no part A and B like *Alcohol Edu* or *Haven*.
- There will be a preview link for this to all FYA supervisors
- Any student can complete it
- There were several concerns voiced that will be considered such as are the other 4 campuses going to be doing this training? How will this effect orientation?

**10:25 Technology updates****Brian Dusel**

- Advising Technology Status Update Page: [sc.edu/advising](http://sc.edu/advising) “Advisor Toolbox”
- 25,120 Appointments in Pathfinder (8/1/2017 – 11/14/2017): 21,789 Scheduled; 3,331 Drop-Ins
- Appointment Campaign Reminders
- On UAC website, there is a box with technology updates and if there are issues with one of the technologies
- If you are having a problem, you can go on the UAC website and report any problems that are being experienced.
- There is an attempt to find a way to link Pathfinder with DegreeWorks
- To date, 25000 appointments have been made in Pathfinder
- Some campaign emails are being put into the SPAM folder of Outlook.
- In Pathfinder, there is a yellow bar that alerts the students to the campaign alerts

**10:30 Orientation update****Bethany Naser**

- January dates are Jan. 10, 11, 12
- Since Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> is when freshmen are to move in, we will move freshmen orientation to Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>
- January 10<sup>th</sup> will be transfer orientation for everyone
- January 12<sup>th</sup> will be transfer orientation for College of Arts and Sciences
- Summer School Orientation will be May 10<sup>th</sup> because summer school will begin on May 14<sup>th</sup>
- Hopefully, Friday Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> Bethany will be sending out to the UAN the 12 finalized dates for summer orientation. The 13<sup>th</sup> day is yet to be determined due to location finalization.

**10:40 UAN discussion continued****Claire Robinson  
Loren Knapp****Updates for UAN - Fellowships and Scholar Programs**

- Coming after Thanksgiving – this session below is VERY IMPORTANT for any juniors will be studying abroad this spring: Junior Outreach Information Session. **Wednesday, November 29 at 4 PM, Legare 321.** Offers a brief overview of some of the fellowships juniors should consider as they approach senior year, including NSF, Fulbright, Rhodes, and Rotary.
- Mark your Calendars now for the Spring 2018 **Last Lecture Series Dates: February 7, March 7, April 4.** This lecture series highlights University faculty to give a lecture as if it were their last. Faculty will be lined up in the coming weeks. All are held in the Gressette Room at 7 pm, and refreshments served before lecture begins. Public invited.
- Members time to share
- Jan Smoak provided two items to share –
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- UAC – videos on website to help with using Schedule Planner
- SCHC – advising for fall will start the last week of February ending the first week of April; SCHC will be happy to meet with any of the different colleges or majors to discuss ideas concerning advising for their majors
- USC Connect – Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> deadline for GLD graduation application; currently 500 applications for GLD in spring
- ACM – students are currently desiring to change their majors and lose their ACM; it does not impact the fall semester but will impact the spring semester
- Study Abroad – have their fair in September between Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> and Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> within the different colleges; the IPHE for faculty and staff for this spring will have 12 participants and the trip is to Vietnam
- OSP – Althea Counts has been moved up to director of TRIO; currently looking to fill the assistant directorship
- HRSM – delaying late advisement, set up a kiosk, assess which courses have restrictions
- Athletics – questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to their 8 advisors

**11:00 Adjourn**

#### **Future Meetings**

**Dec. 20 – End of semester wrap up. Coffee and donuts in the UAC, Close Hipp 102**

**Jan. 17 Palmetto College (Steve Lowe)**

**Feb. 16 – Advisor's Conference *Advising Hacks: Best Practices***

**Feb. 21**

**March 21**

**April 18**

**May 16 (tentative)**

**Undergraduate Admissions Update**  
**UAN**  
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**Fall/Summer 2017 Freshman Update**

Applications Received	26,013
Enrollment	5,874
SAT Average	1254
ACT Average	27.3
Honors College Applications	3,535
Honors College Enrollment	579
SAT Average	1472
ACT Average	32.5
Capstone Scholar Enrollment	1,105
SAT Average	1354
ACT Average	29.7
Gamecock Gateway Enrolled	439
Gateway SAT/ACT average	1075/21.4

**Fall/Summer 2017 Transfer Update**

Applications Received	4,337
Enrollment	1,588

**Other Important Information**

- Fall 2018 freshman application deadline is December 1
- Katherine Hilson ([hilsonk@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:hilsonk@mailbox.sc.edu)) is now the admissions recruitment contact for academic departments. In January 2018, admissions has plans to form a new "recruitment council" for anyone wanting to get involved w/ the university's freshmen recruitment efforts. All interested parties should reach out to Katherine for inclusion when the council officially launches.
- Questions about specific student applications should be directed to Teresa Florentin ([tafloren@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:tafloren@mailbox.sc.edu)) or Ed Black ([blackc@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:blackc@mailbox.sc.edu)) in the admissions office.
- Data requests for admissions-specific information are fulfilled after interested parties complete the following form:  
<https://webapps.admissions.sc.edu/datarequest/index.php> (Shibboleth access required). Questions about data requests should be directed to Deborah Staley ([staleyd@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:staleyd@mailbox.sc.edu)) in the admissions office.

**Questions?**