VPAA Peer Group Meeting via Webex

January 23, 2024

Welcome and Overview – Kathryn convened the meeting promptly at 2 pm and reviewed the day's topic of the changes proposed for Practical Nursing. Kathryn explained that he proposal for changes was different than at the last meeting of the group and that the proposal today had been reviewed by the presidents and approved to move forward for probe. The discussion today was to get more feedback from this group regarding the proposed certificate option and then move forward with the IFCC review.

Practical Nursing Update – Tammy Bryant presented the updated changes to PNSG courses that the executive committee had worked on over the last week or so. The current course changes represented the same overall contact hours for the program to meet the new FA rules but allowed for 49 credits and embedding basic skills learning outcomes into the PNSG courses as opposed to having the standard set of required Basic Skills courses in the curriculum. There were questions regarding the course numbers as well as the program code change. The group was assured that the current proposal would not present a substantive change for SACS and that paperwork needing to be turned into GBON could also be streamlined as the content was not significantly changing. In the end the group agreed to move the certificate program proposal forward to the faculty and then eventually on for probe with their support. Before closing Tammy also shared a brief outline of the proposed AAS program that this PN certificate could roll into as well as other health programs facing similar changes.

The meeting adjourned at 3 pm.