Council Meeting Notes for September 1, 2021:

In Attendance: Crowell, Marquez, Williams, Kaplan, Huizar, Carlson, Luttrell, Newman, Yuen, Freeman-Miller

Absent: Klinge, Kaplan

1. Introductions
2. Approval of May minutes
   1. Approved unanimously
3. Report from Council Chair
   1. Course Evaluations and policies ad-hoc committee
   2. Tabled from last year; P&T revisions; will be reviewed by Cabinet next week and will bring forward for next meeting
4. Report from Dean
   1. Next recruitment cycle has begun; last year’s 449 in May; ended up in 450 incoming first-years after summer melt/gain. Goal was 390. Goal for the coming year is 425 students
   2. COVID updates. Had one student who was approved for completely remote courses. Cannot have a vaccination request because we would lose student funding. Cannot ask students if they are vaccinated or change instruction based on vaccination status. There is a plan B; where the fall break would be merged with Thanksgiving Break and then remote from there.
   3. Lessons learned from teaching online; talking about online AOI course offerings. All deans are talking about the possibility of an online BA; it’s at its very beginning stage
   4. Questions: How much of our incoming students are those who delayed going to college? Is there any way to find out? Answer: not really. We are going to be surveying our incoming students to ask why they chose Drake.
5. Committee Chairs for 2021-2022
   1. Curriculum Committee; Kieran Williams
   2. Diversity Committee; Meredith Luttrell
   3. Technology Committee; Shauna Kaplan
   4. Academic Integrity; Kevin Carlson
   5. Course Feedback committee – Emily Newman
6. Discussion of Council Powers – Faculty Handbook 1.4.5
   1. Council is the guiding body for policies in the college
   2. Cabinet is the advisory board, then council is the one to make changes. May need to start to work on the handbook to get it up to date. Be a connection to the units.
7. Adjournment