**Committee on Retention Efforts (CORE)**

**Meeting Minutes**

**March 22, 2017**

1. **Call to Order**

The Committee on Retention Efforts (CORE) was called to order on March 22, 2017 at

2:00 p.m. by co-chair Kimberlie Moock in the Student Success Center Classroom 1115,

in Ninth Street Hall.

**Members present:** Kimberlie Moock and Karla Sanders, co-chair, Cindy Boyer, Kelsey Cripe, Shelly James, Jeanne Lord, Mona Davenport, Stephen King, and Jean Wolski.

**Members absent:** Gopal Periyannan, Jody Stone, and Jennifer Stringfellow

**Guest:** Claudia Jannsen-Danyi (Communication Studies)

1. **Approval of CORE Minutes**

Karla Sanders made a motion to approve the February 22, 2017 minutes and Shelley James seconded the motion. The motion carried with Cindy Boyer, Kelsey Cripe, Mona Davenport, and Stephen King abstaining.

1. **Initiatives from the Minority & 1st Generation Sub-committee**

Kimberlie Moock conveyed the sub-committee is planning a *First Generation Family and Friends Reception* for incoming first generation freshmen and for other first generation students who have already been attending EIU. The reception will take place the third week school is in session on a Wednesday from 3:00-4:30 pm. TRiO will also be a sponsor and to watch for details.

1. **NSSE Update**

Karla Sanders conveyed the final email went out to the students on March 21st. There were 213 freshmen and 305 seniors who completed the survey which showed a 33% completion rate. There were 119 students who completed it partially and they will receive an email telling them to go in and complete the survey.

1. **IGP Policy Proposal Update**

Karla Sanders reported she talked with CAA regarding the IGP midterm grades policy. CAA did not like the proposal. Discussion followed and the committee members decided to look at it again FA17 and to work on a compromise proposal.

1. **Workgroup #9**
2. University College Structure

Kimberlie Moock reported she and Mona Davenport attended the meeting on University College Structure. This committee is looking at the areas of Undergraduate research, Focus on Gen Ed Curriculum, and how to make EIU more efficient. They are also looking at how departments relate to each other and how they could be combined. Discussion followed.

1. 13 Week Semester versus a 15 Week Semester

Kimberlie Moock reported this committee is evaluating the pros and cons of a student attending a 13 week semester versus a 15 week semester. Discussion followed.

Kimberlie Moock conveyed Vitalization 8 and 9 will give their report in April and asked the members of CORE to send their thoughts to Melinda Mueller concerning the 13 to 15 week semester.

1. **Next meeting**

The next CORE meeting will be April 12, 2017 from 2:00-3:15 pm. in classroom 1115 at Ninth Street Hall.

1. **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

*~Minutes submitted by Ms. Kimberly Sweeney, Recording Secretary*