

- **Assessment Facilitation Steering Committee.** The committee met last Friday and recommended Erin Baumgartner as chair and Paul Disney as vice chair the committee. **I wish to formally affirm their appointments to these positions. I look forward to working with this committee.**
- **Advisor holds.** A practical issue is that some student, somewhere, will be in need of having her/his advisor hold removed when the advisor is not available-- but other faculty/staff are available and are supportive of removing the hold. In such cases, **call the Academic Advising and Learning Center (8-8428)** and leave the student name & V# and your name with the receptionist and/or voice mail. The hold will be removed. Direct calls from the student will not suffice for having the hold removed.
- **Reselling textbooks.** I received notice from a faculty member about textbook buyers offering to buy complementary copies from faculty. Just a reminder that selling books to such buyers is against university and publisher policies. Buyers are not authorized to be on campus (no solicitors policy). Denies authors royalty rights and publishers pass costs on to students. Such texts can be returned to the publisher or donated to a charitable organization for library use.
- College of Education is hosting two accreditation review teams next week (**NCATE-TSPC**) **Nov 15 – 17. I appreciate the hard work the faculty and staff in the college have invested in preparation for site visit.**
- **4-yr graduation paradigms.** I referenced this at the October 27 Faculty Senate meeting as part of a suite of retention/graduation practices we should pursue. By end of year, we need to be able to post on the university website (not in printed catalog) an **idealized 4-yr paradigm** of recommended coursework a student should take in the Fr-So-Jr-Sr year for a BA or BS in a particular major. Hopefully, topping off at 180 credits. Work on this project is through your deans.
- **One-year schedule of tentative course offerings.** Numerous faculty have requested that the one-year course offerings listing be published – like it used to be in the back of the old printed course schedule. Such lists are helpful in advising. I have asked the deans to pursue this with divisions so that we can have a rolling master list linked to the Registrar’s home page.

Final comment.

- Wish for all of us to keep our veterans and their families in our thoughts tomorrow, **Veterans Day**, but truly, every day of the year. A note earlier sent out by Senate President Burton we ask for a moment of silence at 11:00 AM. Taps will be played. Taps will also play again at 5:00 PM.