Development of the Post-APR Action Plan

The purpose of the post-APR meeting of the department chair with senior administration is to:

- review the evaluations and recommendations made by the external reviewers in their report
- develop an action plan agreed upon by all parties at the post-APR meeting

These meeting goals are accomplished as follows:

1. Following their review of the external report and preparation of the Dean’s Response to the External Review Report, the dean and chair prepare a chart (using the example provided below) that lists the major recommendations made by the reviewers and addresses each of them with regard to action plans proposed to be accomplished by the college or the department. This list will be sent by the dean to the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs at least two weeks before the scheduled post-APR meeting.

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<td>List separately each major recommendation of external reviewers</td>
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<td>Describe how each recommendation will be acted on, color coding differently for actions by the department, the college, and the provost.</td>
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<td>e.g., Develop a timeline and a documented commitment to improve and expand Department space, including the move to the library.</td>
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<td>e.g., Work with Vice Provost Moreira, Dean ____ and consultants (architectural and teaching technology) to develop space utilization plans for the department.</td>
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<td>e.g., The Dean’s Office will continue to work with the Vice Provost and others on this important matter.</td>
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e.g., Improve post-graduate and career counseling for majors.

2. The Provost and staff review the list from the dean and chair and add to it any additional issues or proposed actions plans. This completed list is then circulated by the Provost’s Office in advance of the meeting to all who will attend the post-APR meeting.

3. At the post-APR meeting, the completed list of major recommendations, issues, and proposed actions by all parties is used as the guide to the discussion. A written record is made at the meeting of all confirmed actions to be taken by the department, the dean, and the provost’s office, for each recommendation or issue.

4. A draft of the meeting record of recommendations and proposed actions will be sent to the chair, dean, and provost for any needed changes before it is finalized.

5. The final record of recommendations and actions from the meeting will be posted on Bb with the other APR documents and sent to faculty governance committees.

Topics such as the following are typically discussed in the post-APR meeting with senior administration.

- What are the strategic issues for the program?
- What are the programmatic issues?
- What possibilities exist for enhanced revenue generation?
- Given current resource constraints, how can the University be most helpful to achievement of the program goals?
- Among the resources which the program may need, which one is the highest priority and/or can provide the most benefit to the program?
- In summary, what is the strategic plan for supporting and enhancing the quality of the program within the available resources? What actions will be taken?

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