Minutes for 11/2/16 @ noon

Present: Suzie Park, Melinda Mueller, Austin Cheney, Jay Bickford, Richard England, Amanda Harvey, Kersten Kidd, Michael Gillespie,

Absent: Neil Rhoades, Sheila Simons,

Discussion:

- a. Approval of 10/26/16 minutes
- b. Discussions of responses to the most recent DEN article
  - i. Psych views itself as STEM
  - ii. Sociology, anthro, and philosophy view themselves as social sciences
- c. Noted the need for future discussion about FTE, right now there appears to be notable disparities and imbalances re FTE among colleges that may/may not represent latest data
- d. Noted need to talk with Candace Flatt would share her previous work and analyses of variable tuition at other (public) institutions
- e. (Theoretical) discussions on college reorganization using the "8 College Option" as a framework
  - i. Possible concerns with a particular Dept's fit within its (tentative) College:
    - 1. CSD,
    - 2. Journalism,
    - 3. Philosophy,
    - 4. Communications,
    - 5. Econ
    - 6. Women's Studies
  - ii. Possible concerns with size/scope of the Colleges:
    - 1. College of Arts & Letters
- f. How can these best align to our mission as a Vitalization committee?
  - i. Recruiting/marketing specific programs (with clarity in the eyes of future students and parents),
  - ii. How do general fields align with specific majors?
- g. Dr. F. Murphy (FCS) shared about how *School of FCS* fits within *applied sciences* (of Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences), how it's an *integrative* dept that is unified by applied sciences and shouldn't be separated, but it's concerned on its fit within Health/Human services, concerned with its fit within Education.
- h. Perhaps ask Deans about how do we account for distinctions between a *school of* and a *department* of \_\_\_\_\_?