The meeting began at 3:00 pm.

Meeting Focus: Fine Art Departments and Centers

Chairs/Directors Present: Griffin, Chacon, Wilson and Goletti

Chairs/Directors Invited but not Present: Doyle

Dean’s Office Staff Present: Herman & Estrada

1. UTEP Core Metrics
   Crites briefly discussed the core metrics that are shared across UT System institutions (specifically: enrollment, semester credit hours, degrees awarded, research expenditures, and publications). There was some discussion about how these metrics do not assess the creative work of most faculty in the fine arts. The chairs agreed to look into a method for tracking artistic contributions that are not currently reflected by the UT system core metrics.

2. Direction and Objectives of Fine Arts
   - Wilson distributed a PAR form that is used by the Music Department and a guide for how to use digital measures to populate the form. This form is better than the standard College form for tracking activities that are relevant for the creative activities, teaching, and service in Music. The other chairs were interested in this and were going to study this to explore the idea of using a similar PAR form for their departments. Wilson agreed to send an electronic version to the other chairs.
   - Crites discussed how using digital measures and this PAR form across all of the fine art departments would be a useful way to make an argument for including activities of fine arts faculty members in the core metrics discussed in point #1.

3. Center for Arts Entrepreneurship
   Wilson discussed the Center for Arts Entrepreneur and Crites let Chairs know that President Natalicio has funds available to support this Center if a sound plan for the center can be developed. There was discussion about this Center with two action items identified
   - Wilson will work with the other chairs of fine arts departments to put together a steering committee for the Center.
   - Crites will try to engage members of the College Advisor Committee in helping to get this center established.

4. Announcements
   Crites discussed the push to establish business centers in all of the colleges and updated chairs on the progress toward this in Liberal Arts. There was discussion about how this will be implemented and affect current staff.