ACADEMIC COUNCIL

May 18, 2010 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. T-1046

SUMMARY NOTES

Members Present: Phyllis Arias, Don Berz, Lou Anne Bynum, John Downey, Shauna

Hagemann, Peter Knapp, Don Low, David Morse, Eloy Oakley, Kevin

Ryan, Janice Tomson, Joan Zuckerman

Absent: Cathy Crane, Eva Bagg, Rose DelGaudio, Ann-Marie Gabel, Lynn Shaw

Guest: Kim Anderson

Note Taker: M'Shelle Reece

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

The meeting summary notes of April 20, 2010 were approved.

3. SLO Officer Update

Kim Anderson reported that approximately 18 of the 30 SLO officer positions have been filled to date, but there is some concern regarding the lack of interest from faculty in filling remaining positions. Council members agreed that we must keep spreading the message of the importance of this work throughout the college; that processes must be established to ensure work is being done (data input and assessed); and also determine what, if any, consequences should there be for those departments that do not comply. Some possible consequences of noncompliance discussed were - not eligible for rehire and denial of capital outlay or VETEA resources. The Academic Senate and Curriculum Committee will discuss this further for resolution on these issues.

2. Accreditation Oversight Committee Workgroup Update

Kim Anderson distributed the revised Accreditation Oversight Committee charge and list of proposed committee representatives. It was agreed the verbiage in bullet number four should be revised to clarify that substantive changes will be communicated to ACCJC through our Accreditation Liaison. It was also determined that the committee membership should be analyzed further to ensure that the committee membership matches and supports the committee charge and ensures that the college is on track with our upcoming midterm report and future accreditation visit.

3. Department Creation/Consolidation/Division Workgroup Update

This item was not discussed and will be brought back at a future meeting.

4. Course Evaluation Subcommittee Chair

The committee discussed an incident which recently took place at a Curriculum Committee meeting wherein Academic Senate members felt that some administrators showed lack of support/disrespect on an issue related to upholding the Senate's bylaws for committee member term limits. There was debate over whether the incident was a showing of lack of support/disrespect versus members having a right to voice their opinions in a shared governance environment. President Oakley assured Senate members he will communicate the sensitivity of this issue to the administrators emphasizing that he will support and uphold the Senate's decision on this matter.

5. PCC Standing Committee

Phyllis Arias presented a draft charge for the creation of a PCC Standing Committee. Due to the lateness in the meeting, the Council agreed to the standing committee in principal so that it may continue to move forward. This item will return at a future meeting.

Dr. Morse thanked leaving Senate Executive members Phyllis Arias, Joan Zuckerman, Peter Knapp, and Janice Tomson for their service and announced new Senate Executive members - Winford Sartin, Rigo Ibarra, Chris Jacobs, and Sigrid Sexton.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.