



ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING

September 13, 2011

2:30 p.m.

T-1046

SUMMARY NOTES

Members Present: Eva Bagg, Don Berz, Lou Anne Bynum, Shauna Hagemann, Matthew Lawrence, April Mansfield, Eloy Oakley, Kevin Ryan, Rodney Rodriguez, Anthony Starros, Janice Tomson

Absent: Greg Peterson, Lynn Shaw, Dana Van Sinden

Guest: John Downey

Note Taker: M'Shelle Reece

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

The May 17, 2011 Academic Council meetings summary notes were approved including a revision requested by Dr. Bagg on item #7.

3. Grants Advisory Committee

As a result of discussions in Academic Senate, it was recommended that the Grant Committee charge be reviewed. Members agreed the charge needs updating and emphasized the charge be developed in alignment with the District's institutional goals and department plans. Lou Anne Bynum, Rodney Rodriguez, Marty Alvarado, and Lynn Shaw were selected as workgroup participants to review the charge and bring back a recommended revised charge to Academic Council.

4. Accreditation Recommendation #8 - Evaluate College Leadership in Governance

Dr. Eva Bagg shared a handout with an excerpt from the Visiting Team's Evaluation Report regarding Recommendation #8. The recommendation directs the district to develop a plan to evaluate the role of collegewide leadership in institutional governance and to use that evaluation to ensure the integrity and effectiveness of organizational processes, practices and decision-making. She stated a plan needs to be developed as

soon as possible, including a timeline with responsible parties. She indicated past surveys conducted on department planning support this recommendation, but a more comprehensive evaluation of leadership in governance needs to be done. She suggested focus groups of all constituent groups as a constructive method to address this recommendation. The Council established a workgroup charged to reach agreement on exactly what will be evaluated, the principles of evaluation that will be utilized and how the focus groups can best be structured and facilitated. Janice Tomson, John Downey, Rose DelGaudio, Anthony Starros and Dr. Eva Bagg were selected as participants for the workgroup.

5. Reorganizations: Develop a Review and Evaluation Process

Following up on our meeting in May, the Council established a workgroup that will develop a process to evaluate future reorganizations, as well as conduct a review of the 2008 reorganization. Senate Executive members expressed concern and requested that faculty be included earlier in the decision-making process for future reorganizations. Phyllis Arias, Ann-Marie Gabel, Shauna Hageman, and Greg Peterson were selected as workgroup participants. The Council asked that this work be concluded by the end of the semester.

6. Professional Development Plan

Academic Senate President Tomson explained that this agenda item originated from discussions with President Oakley regarding faculty sabbaticals, but both determined it would be more beneficial to address this topic holistically from a professional development aspect. The objective is to make a formal announcement by the Academic Council in support of collegewide professional development in order to raise the level of awareness for support on this subject. Rose DelGaudio, Matthew Lawrence, and Lynn Shaw were selected for the workgroup to draft a statement from the Academic Council supporting district wide support for professional development.