



ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING

October 11, 2011

3:30 p.m.

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SUMMARY NOTES

Members Present: Eva Bagg, Don Berz, Lou Anne Bynum, Rose DelGaudio, Ann-Marie Gabel, Shauna Hagemann, Charlotte Joseph, Matthew Lawrence, April Mansfield, Eloy Oakley, Greg Peterson, Kevin Ryan, Rodney Rodriguez, Lynn Shaw, Anthony Starros, Janice Tomson, Dana Van Sinden

Absent: None

Summary Notes: M'Shelle Reece

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

Summary notes of the May 17, 2011 Academic Council meeting were approved with one correction.

3. Workgroup Report - Grants Advisory Committee

Rodney Rodriguez distributed a draft Grant Advisory Committee charge depicting the workgroup's progress to date. The workgroup met with Vice President of Economic & Resource Development Lou Anne Bynum and Director of Institutional Resource Development Marty Alvarado to receive their input. The workgroup next plans to meet with both former and current Grant Advisory Committee members to gain their input and will report back at the next meeting. Placement of the Grant Advisory Committee in our governance structure will also be analyzed.

4. Workgroup Report - Professional Development Statement

A draft professional development statement was distributed. Multiple revisions were recommended and it was asked the suggested revision be incorporated and the statement will be brought back again at the next meeting for finalization. Possible appropriate ways to disseminate this statement to the college community were also discussed; i.e., placing on district various websites, placing in district newsletters, including in planning process and possible presentation at a Board meeting. This topic will

be discussed further at the next meeting. Members acknowledged the usefulness and importance of having a professional development statement such as this to use in seeking outside funding sources for sabbaticals and other professional development activities which is becoming necessary because of the lack of funding due to the current State budget deficit.

5. Workgroup Report - Reorganization Evaluation Process

Vice President Gabel reported the workgroup has met twice and is making good progress. One aspect agreed upon is that any new reorganization coming forward must state clear goals and outcomes for their proposed reorganization which will in turn be used when evaluating the reorganization. The workgroup is currently discussing and leaning toward avoiding the formation of a new workgroup for reorganization evaluations and instead suggest evaluations be incorporated into the evaluation process within our current annual departmental planning/review cycle.

6. Promise Pathways

Members were provided two scenarios for the proposed organizational reporting structure of the Promise Pathways Initiative, specifically the Coordinating Team. Scenario #1 recommends the Promise Pathways Coordinating Team report to the Student Success Committee, which is a subcommittee of the College Planning Committee. Scenario #2 recommends the Coordinating Team report directly to the College Planning Committee. Members communicated reasoning both for and against the two differing reporting structures. Members agreed this initiative should be placed where it can best be supported, but no clear decision was reached. A presentation on the Promise Pathways Initiative was suggested in order that all members can have the same level of understanding on the initiative before a final decision is made. The Council made a tentative decision that the Promise Pathways Coordinating Team will report to the Student Success Committee at this time, and emphasized that the final reporting structure decision should in no way slow down the work of the initiative. The Council requested that the Student Success Committee report back regarding their thoughts on the Coordinating Team reporting to them and also what resources they will need to support the initiative.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.