ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING
February 21, 2012
2:30 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, April Juarez, Gaither Loewenstein, Eloy Oakley, Greg Peterson, Kevin Ryan, Rodney Rodriguez, Anthony Starros, Janice Tomson, Dana Van Sinden

Absent: Matthew Lawrence, Lynn Shaw

Guest: Marty Alvarado, David Morse

Summary Notes: M'Shelle Reece

1. Call to Order:

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

2. Approval of Minutes

Summary notes of the October 11, 2011 Academic Council meeting were approved as presented.

3. Promise Pathways

Reporting Structure Update: After the last Academic Council meeting, a workgroup was created to further discuss and analyze the Promise Pathways reporting structure. Executive Vice President Berz distributed a handout depicting the workgroups findings. He reported the workgroup recommends deferring determining the Promise Pathway reporting structure until after the Student Success Committee completes its revision of the 2007 Student Success Plan. The workgroup recommends that the Promise Pathways Coordinating Team Co-Chairs give standing informational status reports to the Student Success Committee, College Planning Committee and Academic Senate. In addition, standing items are to be placed on the agendas for Department Head, Curriculum Committee, Vice Presidents and Deans meetings. Once the Promise Pathways Coordinating Team Co-Chairs complete the draft charge, it will be forwarded to the Academic Council. It was asked that this body accept this recommendation as a working guideline. Senate President Tomson requested that the Academic Senate be added to the vetting of the finalized revised Student Success Plan.
Planning Update - Coordinating Team Co-Chairs: Vice President Peterson presented handouts inclusive of all Promise Pathways Initiative groups depicting the charge of each group, the responsibilities of the chair and co-chair of each group, and the membership and named representatives for each group. The groups are currently working to address any vacancies or attendance issues within each initiative group. This information will soon be posted on line upon the completion of the initiative's webpage.

4. Grants Advisory Workgroup Report

Guest Marty Alvarado, Director of Institutional Resource Development, gave an overview of how the department of Institutional Resource Development has evolved over recent years. Due to economic times, grant resource opportunities have lessened and the department has now set criteria and standards to enable for strategic coordination and planning of institutional priorities related to available grants. A revised charge was distributed for review; however, a second revised charge was distributed by Rodney Rodriguez which had not been vetted with the taskforce. The Council asked that this draft charge be taken back to the workgroup again and a final version established before it is reviewed and discussed here in Academic Council. Members agreed the current committee should continue to operate under the previous charge until finalization of the new charge.

5. Workgroup Report - Reorganization Evaluation Process

Vice President Gabel distributed documents which outline the workgroup’s recommendations regarding the purpose and process for reorganization evaluations and also a survey created to be used as a tool during the evaluation process. After much discussion, it was requested that clarification be added under “purpose” that reorganization evaluations will not be conducted college wide, but only for those related to academic and professional matters. It was also suggested that the survey be modified to include an additional box for “suggestions for improvement” under each of the four areas listed in the survey. It was further suggested that the survey scoring guide be modified from 1-6 to 1-5 to manipulate the highest possible survey score to 100% (versus 120%). Senate President Tomson requested time to present this information to the Senate before finalization. Vice President Gabel will incorporate recommended changes and forward finalized documents to Senate President Tomson and requested this item be placed on the next Academic Council meeting agenda.

6. Other

President Oakley distributed a draft of the Superintendent-President agenda, which will soon go out to the entire college and be posted on the website.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.