ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING

May 10, 2012
2:30 p.m.
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MEETING NOTES

Members Present: Eva Bagg, Rose DelGaudio, Shauna Hagemann, April Juarez, Charlotte Joseph, Gaither Loewenstein, Eloy Oakley, Greg Peterson, Kevin Ryan, Rodney Rodriguez, Anthony Starros, Janice Tomson, Lynn Shaw, Dana Van Sinden

Absent: Lou Anne Bynum, Ann-Marie Gabel, Matthew Lawrence

Guest: Marty Alvarado

Notes: M'Shelle Reece

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of Minutes

   March 22, 2012 Academic Council meeting notes were approved.

3. Promise Pathways Update

   - Vice President Peterson distributed a progress dashboard illustrating progress levels in various areas of the Promise Pathways initiative. Placement in Math, English and ESL all green indicating great accomplishment in these departments.

   - A first semester success plan document was shared which will be used by the Counseling Department.

   - Vice President Loewenstein facilitated a meeting for the pairing of reading courses - 8 viable pairs secured.

   - Achievement coaching for Promise Pathway students still under development. Job description drafted. Other aspects and hiring of coaches in progress.
• Class ratio of Promise Pathway students (blended or inclusive) will be determined by department instructors. Paired course will more likely be inclusive of Promise Pathway students.

• Some initiative deadlines will be adjusted in the future to better coincide with high school students schedules (avoid conflict with STAR and other state testing).

• Work in progress on outreach at high schools for students who have not seen a counselor or made ed plans.

• The Academic Senate confirmed support for Promise Pathway student priority registration this semester, but will reevaluate support for future semesters.

• Concerns expressed that continuation of priority registration for Promise Pathway students may displace current continuing students. Future relief for this concern is anticipated upon the passing and implementation of changes to state mandates regarding priority registration (i.e., student 100 unit cap/student satisfactory progress) and also the expected decline in our high school population.

• The District will continue to analyze all Promise Pathway data with the future objective to incorporate successful strategies into the entire student population.

• The Council recognized the need for additional staff and resources to support the collection of data.

• President Oakley thanked everyone for their service this academic year. He looks forward to seeing everyone at commencement.

4. Grants Advisory Workgroup Report

• Marty Alvarado presented the workgroup’s revised final Institutional Resource Development Advisory Committee charge. The charge has been vetted with Academic Senate and accepted by Academic Council.

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.