

Minutes

Provost's Council

January 29, 2008

The Provost's Council met on Tuesday, January 29, 2008 at 8:30 am in the President's Conference Room, Sheridan Hall 306.

Members present: Jeff Briggs, Chris Crawford, Tim Crowley, Cindy Elliott, Paul Faber, Hong Wang for Dennis King, Debbie Mercer, John Ross, Steve Williams and Larry Gould

Guests: President Hammond, Craig Karlin and Joey Linn

A. Call to Order

Action: The provost called the meeting to order.

1. Strategy Item

On Campus Virtual Growth - President Hammond

Action: Dr. Hammond indicated he will add another \$100,000 to the Virtual College allocation for next year since we will not have an alternative model in place as yet. He asked the deans to speak with the chairs and faculty to discuss the growth of both the virtual college and on campus enrollments. The president is leaning toward growing both on- and off-campus but he wants input from the faculty since they are the ones teaching the classes. The deans were advised to offer as many classes as possible in the summer but, for now, to offer the same number of courses in the fall until the president notifies the Council on his decision.

2. Decision Items

a) Last Date of Attendance – Joey Linn and Craig Karlin

Action: Faculty will be required to enter a last date of attendance instead of the field defaulting to the last day of the semester. If they do not enter anything in the field, faculty will not be able to continue to enter grades. The change is to keep in compliance with the federal financial aid regulations. This procedural change will be effective spring 2008. The Council endorsed the email bulletin that will be sent to all faculty and they will notify their chairs and faculty of the change to the procedure of entering grades.

b) Chronic Low Performance Notification

Action: Tabled until the next meeting.

3. Discussion/Deliberation Items

a) SIAS Study Abroad and FHSU's Certificate/Minor in International Studies

Action: As an informational item, Dr. Faber asked for a recommendation from Dr. Art Morin on how studying abroad would count toward an international studies minor

or certificate. His recommendation is that going for a year in SIAS would go a long way in completing a certificate or minor in international studies.

b) Second AGS Degree

Action: The question is, Can a student complete a second associate's degree at FHSU?" The Council agreed to continue to allow students the option of completing a second associate's degree.

c) FHSU Retirement Community/Community Colleges Take Lead in Retraining Retirees

Action: These are informational articles for the Council. The status of the CCRC is: Tim Chapman is going back to talk to Steve Shields and Brooks Kellogg to put up \$30,000 for a retirement feasibility study. FHSU's part of the equity in the proposal will be the leasing of land. The idea is to keep the academic affairs area informed about the process and how we can offer classes or courses for the project. The Council would like an electronic version of Steve Shields' proposal.

d) Digital FAQs and Profiles

Action: The COBL developed three broadcasts that are three minutes long which have interaction with students. It is similar to a FAQ but electronic. This has potential for the Virtual College and other academic colleges. Perhaps, CTELT could offer a workshop that details this concept or add the application of it to another current CTELT workshop.

e) Website/Audit Rep

Action: Tabled until the next meeting.

f) VSA Template

Action: Tabled until the next meeting.

g) Denver Roundtable

Action: Tabled until the next meeting.

h) ABD-in-Residence Guidelines

Action: Tabled until the next meeting.

i) Three Year Degree

Action: Tabled until the next meeting.

4. Informational Items

a) Applied Baccalaureate Picks Up Speed

Action: It was suggested Dr. Mercer share this article with Dr. Ruda and his department. The article addresses the issue about applied baccalaureate degrees in the future.

b) Emerging Economies Make Ripe Markets for Recruiting Industry

Action: This article has to do with Vietnam and the potential for FHSU to recruit students from this country as part of our international partners' initiative.

c) Governor's Recommendations for FY 2009

Action: This is an informational item for the Council.

d) Be Careful Out There

Action: Some antidotal quotes for the Council.

B. Strategic Planning and AQIP: An Update

Action: No action taken.

C. Announcements/New Business

Action: No action taken.

D. New Business/Announcements

Cindy Elliott gave an update on the status of students from Turkey. There will be no students coming in January, maybe five in March, possibly 40 in June and 20 in July. There will be two delegations from Turkey coming to campus in late March or first week in April. The two university delegations are: Istanbul Kavram Meslek Yuksekokulu and Halic University. Most of the students are middle managers with 70 percent of the travel costs paid by their university and the rest of the travel costs will be covered by the Turkish government. We are in the process of signing an agreement with Istanbul Kültür University and Indira Group of Institutes. Ms. Elliott suggested sending copies of the letters of intent which describe the specific details to the Provost's Council. As a side note, there are still issues with our Turkish students and the residential halls.

E. Adjournment

Action: The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

c: Dr. Edward Hammond

Dr. Herb Songer

Mr. Larry Getty

Dr. Joey Linn

Dr. Daniel Kulmala

Ms. Chelsey Gillogly

Ms. Casey Rackaway

Provost's Council Secretaries

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