MINUTES
Provost's Council
March 23, 2010

The Provost's Council met on Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. in the President's Conference Room, SH 306.

Members present: Mark Bannister, Jeff Briggs, Chris Crawford, Tim Crowley, Mary Meier for Cindy Elliott, Paul Faber, Dennis King, Debbie Mercer, Lynn Haggard for John Ross and Larry Gould

A. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by the Provost

1. Strategy Items
a) FHSU Social Networking via Web 2.0 Strategy
Action: Ms. Casey Rohleder has been assigned to be the liaison with Mike Brown who has been hired as a consultant to provide a social networking plan for the University. Mike Brown is planning on coming to campus on April 20 or April 27. Everyone that is on the core planning team should attend the all-day retreat. Each Council member was asked to look over the list and confirm the persons on the list or add/delete names. We are looking for a team of about 30 members. Casey will be sending out a survey to faculty asking them which social networks are being used. She will then create an inventory of social networks for the retreat.

b) Foresight 2020 Implications for FHSU
Action: This will be approved by KBOR in May as the new strategic plan for the Regents. What are the implications for FHSU? It is the interfacing of all of the institutions all over the state to align goals, strategies, etc. The Provost reviewed the five pillars with the Council. This will be put back on the agenda at a later date as a strategic item to determine how we can interface academic affairs with the "pillars."

c) Distance Education Plan Implications
Action: This is a reminder and an update for the Council. Dr. Gould pointed out to the Council about #4 in the document, "Support creation of a Distance Learning Academy by Kan-Ed." He talked to Gary Sherrer about FHSU submitting a proposal to offer a doctorate of online education and Mr. Sherrer is in favor of it. The other issue that continues to plague the plan is the service area component. The Provost and Dennis King will be going to Topeka to discuss distance education.

d) Research as the Theme for Regents' October 2010 Visit
Action: The Council was asked to brainstorm on potential research projects that can be showcased for the Regents visit. Dr. Tim Crowley will be in charge of collecting the information.

2. Decision Items
a) Class Schedule Preparation Calendars 2011
Action: Approved by consensus.

b) Pre-enrollment Dates for 2011-2012
Action: Approved by consensus.

3. Discussion/Deliberation Items
a) Good Samaritan Proposal
Action: Todd Powell will be creating a MOU which include internships, credit/not-credit courses, licensing of courses, training opportunities for administrators as possibilities. Once the MOU is signed, a few FHSU people will be asked to get together with Good Sam's to work out a road map.

b) Dare to Dream VC GTAS
Action: Responses on the capacity of departments should be sent to Tim Crowley. The President has agreed to continue to fund the pilot project which includes the three departments of: Health and Human Performance, Informatics, History.

c) The Proof is in the Portfolio/Non-Teaching Graduate Assistants
Action: The Provost would like to discuss the portfolio as an option for our assessment tool. We need to select some type of portfolio software soon.

d) Professors of the Year
Action: If you have a nominee, please send it to the Provost by the end of the week.

e) Association of American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) Complimentary Associate (CASSO) Enrollments
Action: If the Council wants to add names to the list, please send to the Cindy Cline by April 1.

f) The Washington Center Internships and Academic Seminars
Action: If you want to put together an internship, the Washington Center will work with you.

g) Tuition Proposal for FY 2011

Action: The Regents wants each President to present a tuition proposal at the next meeting. President Hammond will be discussing with the University either tomorrow at Cabinet or at Thursday's budget-forum.

h) NY Times Courses
Action: If any department would like to offer a New York Times course, this is an opportunity to do so. However, it has to appeal to a large audience.

i) Internationalization Survey for Faculty
Action: Proposed survey on internationalization component on campus. The Council was asked to send suggestions directly to Tim.

j) Faculty-Led Study Abroad Policy
Action: Proposed policy to look at the academic quality and the risk management of faculty study abroad. A faculty committee should also be looking at the proposals as well as the academic affairs provost. There are two questions: Do we need a policy and any suggestions for the policy. It will be put back on the agenda.

4. Informational Items
a) Global Health Program Popularity Surges
Action: Informational item.

b) Job Searches on HigherEdJobs.com and Inside Highered.com
Action: Tabled

c) Advisers Cultivate Top Students for Plum Prizes
Action: Tabled

d) Revealed: Most Popular Online Degrees in 2010
Action: Tabled

e) Distribution of FHSU Budget by Program Cards
Action: Distribution of updated budget cards that indicate where the money comes from to support FHSU.

f) Adjunct Faculty Benchmarking
Action: Tabled

g) International Student Exchange Programs (ISEF) Update
Action: Tabled

h) American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment

Action: Tabled

i) Agreement with Maxwell College
Action: Tabled

j) Teacher-Scholar Impact
Action: Tabled

B. Announcements/New Business
Action: There are only six courses that do not have a textbook listed which helps with the buy back for our students.

C. Adjournment
Action: The meeting was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

c: Dr. Edward Hammond
Dr. Tisa Mason
Mr. Larry Getty
Dr. Joey Linn
Dr. Jeff Burnett
Mr. Brad Stramel
Ms. Casey Rohleder
Provost's Council Secretaries