Institutional Planning and Budget Council
January 18, 2006 - 3:00 p.m.
Jones Room

Present: Grace Fisher, David Fuller, Pam Hopkins, Cathy Horvath, Robert Kibler, Jolina Miller, Neil Nordquist, Chelsea Peterson, Beth Pross, Ron Royer, Betsy Vig, and Deb Wentz

Absent: Randy Burckhard, Rick Hedberg, and Jerry Stai.

1. Dr. Fuller called the meeting to order.

   The minutes of the December 8, 2005 meeting were approved as presented.

2. Institution’s strategic vision

   The council believes that to develop an effective strategic plan, we must first have a specific vision for the future. Discussion centered around three main areas of focus:
   a. High expectations and standards for student qualities and abilities
   b. A culture focused on student success and achievement
   c. The organization distinguished by a predominant focus on a stewardship of place and civic engagement

   Dr. Fuller distributed a White Paper to the council that outlines a shift in vision and mission which would have an effect on identification of strategic goals and objectives.

   This paper will be distributed to all faculty, staff, and MSU stakeholders for their discussion, analysis, and critique. Discussion regarding specific points of the paper will be the primary focus of the January 23 open forums. All members of this council are encouraged to attend one of the two sessions on the 23rd.

   Additional meetings will also be held with all senates and other departments/units on campus to provide additional discussion.

   All information will be considered and brought back to this council for recommendations and revisions to any changes in vision and mission.

3. Objectives for remainder of year

   After the vision is defined, a mission statement that really describes who we are will be developed. From this, we will be able to set preliminary goals and objectives so we have a draft copy by the end of the semester.

   The meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM.

Minutes Prepared and Submitted by Deb Wentz