

Institutional Planning and Budget Council
April 13, 2005 - 3:00 p.m.
Jones Room

Present, Ms. Grace Fisher, Dr. David Fuller, Dr. Nancy Hall, Mr. Rick Hedberg, Ms. Pam Hopkins, Ms. Cathy Horvath, Dr. Robert Kibler, Ms. Jolina Miller, Ms. Chelsea Peterson, Dr. Beth Pross, Mr. Jerry Stai, Ms. Betsy Vig and Ms. Deb Wentz

Absent: Mr. Mark Anderson; Mr. Randy Burckhard; Dr. Neil Nordquist, and Dr. Ron Royer

Agenda Items

1. Dr. Fuller called the meeting to order.
2. Approval of Minutes
There were no changes to the minutes of the March 2, 2005 meeting and they were approved as presented.
3. Campus Open Forum
An Open Forum was held on April 6, 2005 which provided information on budgeting and funding.

Faculty and staff were also informed about the proposed office relocations to better align services to students. We will submit a plan to the SBHE to expand our authority to renovate Dakota Hall to accommodate the office relocations. Another forum will be held in May to show details of the various proposed office moves.

4. Focus Groups
Eight focus group sessions have been held to date. Some of the recurring comments are:
 - a. Greek life would liven up the campus
 - b. Need to work closely with community
 - c. Expand marketing
 - d. Students first
 - e. Student Union needs more activity
 - f. Recruit more

Overall, the sessions have been very well received and participants have shared both positive and negative comments about MSU.

Remaining sessions should be scheduled as soon as possible. We will keep the same format we have been using.

There was some discussion on whether we need to include a couple of more stakeholder groups. We will look into a separate focus group for Healthcare, Media, and Distance Students.

Rural community visits will take place over the summer.

5. Other

Dr. Fuller informed the committee that we had a representative on campus to offer a proposal to complete a Campus Master Plan.

6. Next Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2005 at 3:00 PM. in the Jones Room.

Minutes Prepared and Submitted by Deb Wentz