

Institutional Planning and Budget Council
February 22, 2006 - 3:00 p.m.
Jones Room

Present: Grace Fisher, David Fuller, Rick Hedberg, Robert Kibler, Jolina Miller, Neil Nordquist, Ron Royer, Jerry Stai, and Deb Wentz

Absent: Randy Burckhard, Pam Hopkins, Cathy Horvath, Chelsea Peterson, Beth Pross, and Betsy Vig.

1. Dr. Fuller called the meeting to order.

The minutes of February 8, 2006 were approved as presented.

2. Proposed Vision Statement

Dr. Fuller met with all senates regarding the proposed vision statement. The Student Association and the Staff Senate unanimously supported all three elements of the statement. Faculty Senate unanimously supported the first two portions of the statement but could not unanimously support the final section referring to place. An addendum to the white paper was sent to help clarify “place”

Council members took each of these three elements of the proposed vision and submitted their own draft of a statement that could be used.

3. Review of mission statement

Discussion was held with regard to what our mission should reflect. All agreed that the mission has to be very specific. Some things to consider included: multi cultural, engagement, learning, research, and primarily be about students.

The proposed mission statement from the BHE states that our Functional Emphases include:

1. Instruction
2. Research primarily related to instruction
3. State and Regional (Western and Midwestern states) Service

The committee then discussed the proposed mission from the Board of Higher Ed relative to what we want our mission statement to read.

Instruction can be defined as learning. Learning would include:

- * Theoretical and Practical
- * Global Perspective
- * Diverse
- * Higher Learning
- * Engaged Learning
- * Lifelong Learning
- * Research Based
- * Must be for all students – traditional, older than average, virtual/alternative, foreign/international

Research primarily related to instruction can be defined as:

- * Innovative
- * Student success – careers, erudite, strong professional, thinking on feet, common sense, problem solver
- * Civically responsible

State and Regional (Western and Midwestern) Service – service defined as:

- * To Society
- * People
- * For Common Good
- * Sharing expertise outside of classroom
- * Morally obliged to share/serve
- * Engaged Service
- * Altruistic

Based on these comparisons, we are providing these functional emphases under the proposed vision statement.

Further analysis of the proposed mission statement and discussion of current core values will continue at the next meeting in March.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.

Minutes Prepared and Submitted by Deb Wentz