

Planning & Budgeting Council
December 5, 2007
Minutes

Present: Rich Berg, Mikhail Bobylev, Rita Curl-Langager, David Fuller, Donna Harvey, Ken Johnson, Trisha Nelson, Ron Royer, and Deb Wentz

Absent: Rick Hedberg, Pam Hopkins, and Neil Nordquist

1. Minutes of the June 13, 2007 meeting were approved as presented.
2. Update on activities since last meeting:
 - The campus received the Vision 2013 Action Plans at the fall convocation. Our next steps include meetings with each department to see how they can incorporate action plans into their department goals, prioritizing plans, determining costs, and implementation guidelines.
 - The Interim Higher Education Committee held a special meeting with the State Board of Higher Education. Dr. Fuller attended the meeting and listened to the discussions regarding access, accountability, costs, and productivity measures. The Board repeated its strong support of the Roundtable, and the legislators and board members all acknowledged the need to reinvigorate the Roundtable and to inform others about its principles and purposes. There was an obvious interest expressed by some of the legislators to examine higher education and to improve its accountability measures and processes
 - It is so important that legislators understand what is involved on the part of faculty. There may be a perception that they may teach a few classes and then are free the better part of a day, not taking into account the time spent in preparing for classes, advising students, conducting research, etc.
 - In addition to updating the legislators on what faculty do spend their time on, they also need to know the student of today better, one that is used to multi tasking and looking for teachers who are innovative and challenge them.
3. January 7th convocation – Rita Curl-Langager presented a draft of the agenda for the day. Dr. Kuh will begin with a session that will address the whole campus. Following the plenary session, Departments will convene to discuss how to create conditions that matter to student success.

There will be a working lunch followed by faculty discussions on effective educational practices. Dr. Kuh will finish the day by meeting with the Faculty Senate to discuss their role in enhancing student engagement.

It was suggested that area legislators as well as members of the Higher Ed committee. Students are also welcome to attend if they are around. The president's office will take care of the invitations for the legislators and the Higher Ed committee.

4. Meetings with individual units

There will be an open forum after the semester gets underway mainly to prioritize action plans and identify funding. Once the forum is completed, Dr. Fuller will meet with individual units on campus to discuss how Vision 2013 applies to their particular department.

5. The committee received the final document of Action Plans for 2007-09 which is the document that we will be working from for the next 2 year cycle.

6. Reporting

As part of the unit meetings Dr. Fuller will be going through a matrix that departments will use for reporting purposes. These will assist us in preparing the achievement report for the institution.

Department goals will need to apply to what they want to accomplish and they may not necessarily address all strategies.

7. After the forums and departmental meetings are held the Planning and Budgeting Council will reconvene.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Deb Wentz, Recording Secretary