

MAY 5, 2009 COLLEGE COUNCIL

Present: Lara, Adams, McArdle, Windsor-White, Hogeland, Huckestein, Clemetsen, Ruppert, Konzack, White, Gibbs, Chester, Wille, Price, Nielsen, Malosh, Thallemer, Drury, Hamilton, Nicoletti, McNannay, Haynes, Davis, Bell, Bailey, King, Cavin, Propst at 11am.

I. WORK OF THE COUNCIL

An opportunity to share information regarding other governance councils. Please share this information with the groups that you represent. This month we will have our annual Council Updates as we begin the annual revision of the Guide to Governance. Reports should include progress on work plans; health of council; any significant changes in title, purpose or membership.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS – Richard Gibbs – The college has 8 new department chairs; we are working with Moodle; favorite meeting of the majority of members was the one with the Chinese delegation.

DIVERSITY AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT- Bill Thallemer – Strategic Plan will be the focus over the summer, re-organizing is on-going; work continues to recruit new members, hire the event coordinator, and tie in faculty. Community members have asked to join the council so they are being welcomed. Work in progress includes partnerships with City of Albany and OSU for MLK day.

ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT - Bruce Clemetsen – This council is reformulating what it needs to look like and they have some drafts of new structure, with sub-groups, possibly on advising and first year experience. They have made good progress on data and using enrollment data to support requests for budget. They are working on those dynamics with Finance.

WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC VITALITY – Ann Malosh – This is a group that wants to be there and high attendance attests to that. This group needs to meet more than twice a term. They have reviewed needs assessment and recommendations, esp. those that are low cost. This year they are focusing on health care assessment; about 70 organizations and individuals being interviewed. Community engagement tool will be launched in the fall for faculty and classified (how are we engaged in the community). Facebook is being used as a means of communication; focus is also on how the council will be working with regional coordinators. To do: uncommon requests from the community and investigating if this council may need more representation from the college community.

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College Council – meetings in June and July – work plan on agenda in June, role as a council in the presidential selection process. Community leaders, CEOs, etc. to be invited to a forum and give input to Board. Also candidates meet with constituent groups ...should they meet with College Council as a group.

Adams: what questions would College Council ask that would be different? Cavin: candidate might present differently from one group to another.

Ruppert: College Council could ask how they will work with this group, but it might be redundant to have MESA forum and then CC forum.

McNaney: Will the Board consider this input? Cavin: Board has chosen the search firm, and both those consultants and the Board want input, and Board is very open to input, esp. at this point. After forums, search firm gives feedback to Board.

Thallemer: This Board is VERY open to your suggestions, so don't be hesitant to give them.

Cavin: reiterated her stance that she will not give any input on any candidate to the Board; will not write any recommendations for any candidate; will not champion any candidate. Renee is secretary to the Board but because the area is not very private, candidates' communication will go through Marlene's office, to assure confidentiality. Board is still thinking about screening committee versus interview committee, so will communicate decision ASAP.

College Council serving as rumor control...bringing in what they hear and taking back what is shared at CC meetings.

Suggestions for Work Plan for next year:

- China project – (BJ: Ed leadership and multi-cultural focus – Fred: yes but stay in this group...Ann A: monthly China message to campus.)
- Big Picture Caucus work to come to College Council (Ann Malosh)
- More information sharing on what others are doing; we can be stronger supporters if we know what is happening (Patsy)
- Distance learning - we have lost our ranking in state in this area (Jeff D.)
- Bond and pre-bond discussions (Jeff and Bill)
- Process improvement and easing work-load for staff (Bill)
- "LBCC Reads" – book group (BJ)

Update on China – There are lots of possibilities and right behind that are Saudi Arabia and Dubai. These possibilities for good international relationships have to do with our partnership with OSU and our friendliness. They could bring resources to our college that we don't have. But they do not mean we lessen our efforts with district students of color. Faculty would be

benefitted by professional development/exchanges and faculty members have contacted Rita regarding their interest in going to China. Business and Employer Services would also be involved because of the market expansion inherent in partnering with us and our international partners. It was noted that the idea of meetings is foreign to the Chinese educators and they move much more quickly than we do. Another cultural difference: all staff are considered “faculty” because all are there to teach students. Presidents have a very rich personal life, believing in harmony and balance. John McA noted that this international partnership has significance for the Oregon economy: we are creating a new international portal. It was noted that some local business folks didn’t seem to get the idea and thought we were inviting the competition in. Bill noted that in China their concern is graduates, not recruitment and retention. Their graduates ARE their marketing, their retention and recruitment efforts. Gary Price noted that the college management needs to ask “what’s in it for us”, then strategize and put together an action plan. Perhaps College Council could determine what we want. It was reported that Western Oregon University has already brought over 200 Chinese students; perhaps this could open the door to a degree partnership program at WOU. LBCC could be the leader in the state on this effort. Joseph: Where will the big picture come from if not from here? Take care of yourselves and the relationships in the Council. Cavin: If the pace of change or the relationships become a source of concern for you, College Council can meet more often during the transition period.

Dan: CC works well as a visioning body, but to really delve into issues, smaller working groups would be more effective. Be very diverse in make-up of working groups, so that a few people are not on every group.

Jim H.: Strategic Planning and Academic Master Plan timing? Cavin: suggested finishing Academic Master Plan this year and using updating of Strategic Plan to bring new president on board. Facilities Master Plan will come from finished Academic Master Plan. This group keeps mistakes from happening and a critical role of the CC is to give them the history and be the sounding board; help the new president understand the culture.

II. TEAM REPORTS (40 minutes)

Current operational information for you to communicate back to the groups you represent. Reports should include any significant changes in staffing, policy or procedures.

FINANCE AND OPERATIONS – It has been announced that the recession is over. Oregon will be lagging. Budget is ready to go to the Budget Committee on May 20th, will probably change as soon as the revenue forecast comes out. That forecast will be a few days before the state budget for 2009-2011. New rates for OEBS which are very close to the rates Jim budgeted for.

Progress in the construction; we have one week to do reports instead of less than 24 hours this time.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS Gary – In the process of implementing new course fees, program, 1) course fee of higher range, 2) smaller bumps up in several courses, 3) hardware and software fee. Regional directors taking on different roles which will change relationships in both directions; working on what that would look like. State requirements may be Cultural diversity and information literacy imbedded into courses. Two faculty positions are being recruited...nursing still open, Journalism has closed.

STUDENT SERVICES AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS Bill – New Legislative group. 3 bills adverse impact bill moving forward, EBL bill got killed; study about semesters is going through. Part time bill will not go thru, but this is a bargaining chip. Rumor is that end session in June and start up again in October. Student services: Counseling reporting to AAC on advising. Students for presidential search already chosen, new officers coming to ASG. MVP is partnering with us on foster children.

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Pandemic information circuit – 17 Oregonians with swine flu, 5 in Lane county. It's evolving from end of society to just another flu bug, but new strain. WA state announced concurrent cases might not close schools there. Might be same decision in this state. Clinical sites using our nurses have said they want the students to come even if they have been exposed.

Marlene – Distinguished staff and Pastega award nominations need to be sent in. Presidential forums on 13th and 14th for input, May 14th is Foundation scholarship event.

III. POLICY AND RULES (15 minutes)

First Readings:

- AR 5045-03 – Operating College Owned or Rented Equipment (additional revisions) – **TABLED**
- Board Policy 7080 – Military Service Member Survivors' and Dependents' Tuition Waiver (Formerly BP 7150 – Fallen Soldier Dependents' Benefits)

The revisions to this Board Policy change student support from a grant to a full tuition waiver, for dependents and spouses of soldiers killed in action or 100% disabled, and also untie it from the event of 9/11. It is for tuition only, no fees. The student must have applied for all VA benefits before this goes into effect. These revisions will go to Board's May meeting. Dan

asked if spouse coverage would cost us money, Bruce answered usually not because spouse also gets VA benefits if soldier is 100% disabled. All those listed on DD214 will be covered.

IV. SHARING (5 minutes)

Patsy - This Friday 200 high school students will be on campus – still need 2 or 3 escorts, so contact Patsy. Next Friday we are hosting DPP summit for the first time; register with Patsy by this Friday.

Gary Price – in transition to new mega-Division, lots of good listening and high level problem-solving will be needed.

Betty – BPs and ARs coming up regarding finance and audit so please give feedback.

Bill – thanks to everyone for their help with the Chinese presidents' visit.

Joseph – there is anxiety out there and anything you can do to let people know they are good people, even if you don't have answers....people seem to be using May 15th as a date when they will know something, but

Sharon – evacuation drills next Wed., Thurs., Friday

Ann – implementation of new faculty appraisal system

John – thanks to all who were involved in the Teddy Bear Tea; women in Science event;

Foundation Board has funded a part-time planned giving staff person, .25 or .3 position. Staff person has worked in the past with OUS. Planned giving is where largest gifts will be coming from in the future.

Bruce – more re-org in the Student Services, counselors are re-aligning the staffing because they are getting very thin...no more drop-ins...must be emergency to get in if they don't have an appointment

Connecting with staff in the centers, trial run for 2 weeks, then periodically re-checked with referral slips to get people to the right place in the first place.

Jan K. - Open forums for 3 finalists for the bookstore position this Thursday and Friday.

Joel – Part-time faculty professional development funds are gone. Jerri Wolfe is replacing Gary Ruppert on that committee.