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A World of Cultures United in Learning

**Faculty Senate Meeting (draft)
December 5, 2007
3:30-5:00 pm
Room 1307**

Susan Myers, Barbara Tull, Nancy Pauliukonis, Terry Taskey, Victoria Loukianoff, Yvette Niccols, Alan Kirshner, Wayne Yuen, JoRainie Rodgers, Lottie Bain, Lily Xu, Gary Mishra, Jim McManus, Bob Mitchell

Others Present: Rob Smedfjeld, Deb Parziale, Jim Wright, Darren Bardell, Jeff O'Connell

1. Announcements

None

2. Approval of Minutes

Approved with addition.

3. Technology Resources & the Technology Master Plan - O'Connell

The Senate reviewed the updated Technology Master Plan and Standard IIIC, Technology Resources of the Accreditation Self Study.

The **Technology Master Plan** was compiled almost 2 years ago, but it came to a point where it was left unfinished. The Technology Committee took it up from there and it was completed. Those who wanted input in it had that opportunity.

It will be reviewed at least once each semester. A "life cycle" process has been established to maintain state-of-the-art status.

There is a lot of connection with Title III, and there are many references to it in the Accreditation Self Study report.. This is the reason they had to complete the master plan before the accreditation standard could be completed.

Any suggestions should be emailed to Jeff O'Connell..

The **Accreditation Self Study** was written a long time ago and left unfinished. A group of people rewrote it once the IT management issue was resolved. Now Patrice is editing it.

Jim Wright emphasized the importance of Jeff O'Connell's leadership regarding this. Many faculty members worked together and put the narrative together. They also worked

throughout the semester to develop the Technology Master Plan, and this couldn't have been done without Jeff's leadership.

IT will work with the deans to make sure the software that we are buying is done wisely; the technology committee should set future directions for the use of software--looking at new software and how it can be delivered. There may be more web-based software as opposed to machine-based.

The Dean need to know about concerns regarding operations in labs. The Technology Committee's role will be direction-setting/ strategic planning, providing guidance to the college. The deans and IT can implement the plan. If not getting satisfaction from your dean, contact Jim Wright.

Motion: Accept standard IIC. (Tull)

Second: (Bain)

Motion passed.

4. Focus the Nation Myers

A National Teach-In scheduled for January 31 will focus on Global Warming. This is a National event with over 1000 colleges and universities involved; Stanford will be doing a webcast and has agreed to webcast some portion of what we are doing on our campus..

There are many ways people can participate. The college is trying to get some good guest speakers who will speak on topics related to sustainability and technology leading to "green" situation. Speakers will be at both campuses. There will also be screenings of the movie: "In the Eleventh Hour."

Faculty are encouraged to weave global warming into discussions, attend speakers, and create assignments related to the topic.

There will be a dedication ceremony at Newark from 12-2:00 to celebrate the opening of the Newark campus. Learning college week will all be at Newark. A speaker on Wednesday will focus on using college spaces creatively.

Faculty can refer to the Teach-In website for discussion topics and ideas.

5. Maintaining campus community –Myers

The Senate discussed how faculty will stay connected and maintain a sense of campus community after the Newark Center opens.

It was suggested that Faculty Senate set the tone by scheduling its meetings alternately on both campuses, although it may be most logical for some committees meet only on one campus.

In the past there were problems with people at the other campus feeling like discarded step children as decisions were made with their input.

We should explore technological ways to connect such as video conferencing.

Questions:

- Will there be a campus bus for students to move between campuses?
This has been talked about. Travel time between campuses should range from 15-20 minutes to up to an hour, depending on traffic and time of day.
- Will the public bus system revise its schedule?
- Will parking permits be valid at both campuses? Yes.

The Newark Center is a learning resource for all disciplines whether or not they are located there.

Mac/ICHAT and Title III faculty innovation projects can be used to promote technological collaboration. A \$500 stipend is available to anyone who would like to experiment with finding ways to collaborate better. For example, Jeff O'Connell is working on Google docs.

Motion: One of the two Senate meetings each month should take place at the Newark campus on a trial basis, to be revisited in two months. (Kirshner)

Second: (Mishra)

Aye 7

No 5

Abstain 2

Motion passed .

Discussion

- We should make it a trial rather than permanent arrangement.
- Some prefer to use technology to link the campuses.
- We should go ahead and investigate a technological link

6. President's Report - Myers

- Spring Senate meetings will continue to take place in the Video Conference room.
- Fixed flex day will be January 25. The Senate/UFO meeting will run from 1:-2:30. We will discuss the election of a vice president to serve next year as Senate President.
- The Student Learning Outcomes and Assessment Committee will begin in the spring, operating under the curriculum committee. It will be specifically charged with working with departments going through program review, looking at program and course SLOs.

This will be key next time we go through accreditation; many campuses have this committee for the same purposes. The committee is looking for people with experience with learning outcomes and who experience writing program reviews.

- The Chair person will receive 25% reassigned time.

Question: Why a committee instead of just one person?

The model is one that other schools have used that seems to work very well; more than one person on the committee make it possible to help more than one program at a time. It is nice to have a group to bounce ideas off of. The Chair may be the key person to go to, but it works better with team input. Also, with a responsibility of that nature, one person may not want to stay with it for the long term; it is important to have others on the committee who can take over.

Other topics for spring 2008 meetings:

- Presidential search—The search committee met last Friday, and the consultant gave an orientation and outlined the process. Now the consultant is taking input from forums and will bring this back to the search committee for input. Once finalized, she will begin actively recruiting. She seems to know a lot of people and who might be good candidates. She will recruit through January. The search committee will meet in February to screen applications. Interviews will take place in late February/early March.

There will be a website with the job announcement, updates, and an explanation of how the process will work. Respecting the confidentiality of prospective candidates, she will keep it as transparent and clear as possible.

7. All Other Business

In the Spring there will be 7 Senate meetings.

Important Tasks:

- Approve tech master plan
- Conduct survey on what does or doesn't work with respect to the compressed calendar; ways to improve WebAdvisor; cleanliness of classrooms.
- Faculty IDs- Victoria has been working with Ron Travenick for faculty IDs, trying to work out with ASOC to get IDs early in the spring
- Audits
- Safety resolution
- Clustering faculty and disciplines in certain buildings; how space is allocated
- Incompletes
- Library budget increase
- Faculty recognition award at Ohlone
- Prioritizing of new faculty positions- revisit the process; will they open any positions? We need to wait to see what the fall budget will be.