Faculty Senate Long Range Planning Committee

Meeting of November 17, 2004
3:30, Student Union Room 104

Present: Vice President Buckley, David Groves, Scott Richard Klein, Von Underwood, James Lambert, Stanley Bursten, Philip Lanasa, Sivirama Krishnan.

Absent: Michelle Smith, Lloyd Dawe, Doug Catterall

1. Underwood offered to serve as recording secretary for this meeting.
2. Underwood submitted yet another, more condensed level of summary of the survey of chairs conducted last year. After some discussion, Lambert moved that the summary be tabled for further consideration at a later time. Groves seconded. The motion carried.
3. The chair opened the floor to discussion of the responses of the committee to their review of the Core Values and Goals sections of Plan 2008 to identify the focus for the work of the committee.
4. Lambert moved that Goal 2 and a selection of its subsections and actions be a focus of the committee’s work. Lanasa seconded. Lambert drew attention to section 2.3, which resolves to increase dedication to quality academic performance, as an area of particular interest for the committee. He pointed out that sections 2.3 A and 2.3 C addressed matters that the committee had already raised in discussion. Underwood pointed out that there is likely to be a task force formed to consider 2.3 B, which is concerned with the establishment of a comprehensive honors program. Lanasa asked that the committee be kept updated as that process moves forward. Underwood agreed to do so and welcomed the committee’s interest. Underwood also pointed out that consideration of the mission statement is listed under goal 2. The motion that goal 2 be a focus of the committee’s work was put to a vote and carried.
5. Lanasa moved that the committee address issues affecting the beautification, cleanliness, and maintenance of our physical plant. Noting that this concern might well be addressed under Goal 2, section 2.7, Lambert seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion carried.
6. Dr. Lanasa moved that the committee consider addressing some specific aspects of Goal 1. Groves seconded. The motion carried.
7. Bursten moved that the members of committee look closely at the details of the subsections and actions in Goals 1 and 2 and bring in a short list of recommendations for specific projects that the committee can reasonably address. Klein seconded. The motion carried.
8. The committee agreed to meet again on December 8, at 3:30 in Student Union 104.
9. Point of information: Underwood noted that he had printed out two documents from the Baldrige National Quality Program, noted in action 2.1. S of Plan 2008. These two documents, “Getting Started with the Baldrige National Quality Program,” and “Education Criteria for Performance Excellence,” are available online, but are lengthy. A hard copy can be checked out from the chair by anyone on the committee. The documents clarify 2.1 S. They also present a comprehensive administrative model, encompassing long range planning and assessment, in which our administration is interested. This is also the sort of model that will be structuring our preparation for our next accreditation review, and the type of model to which our chief accrediting agency is committed. This is not a recommended focus for the committee. The documents are simply being made available as a matter of convenience.
10. The meeting adjourned at 5:00.