Tuesday, December 6, 2011 Deans' Council Meeting Minutes

Present: Mindy Baumgartner, Julie Coon, Mike Cron, Fritz Erickson, Don Flickinger, Don Green, Robin Hoisington, Michelle Johnston, Ron McKean, Dave Nicol, Bill Potter, Karen Strasser, Robbie Teahen, Kim Wilber

Guest: Mike Hughes, Associate Vice President, to discuss Physical Plant Services

Physical Plant Services

Mike Hughes was present to discuss the Physical Plant services. He discussed is plans to attend future DC meetings to help keep lines of communication open. He gave a brief update on services including normal maintenance requests and overtime requests. He was thanked for meeting with the DC members.

Positions/Searches

Karen Strasser presented rationale for the vacant F11176 Social Work Faculty position. At the conclusion of the discussion, the vote was unanimous to begin the process to post this position.

Fritz Erickson discussed educational counselor positions, which would be converted on a case-by-case situation. Fritz Erickson gave a brief update report of the Associate Provost search.

Administrative Equity

Fritz Erickson discussed the administrative equity processes and timelines for this fiscal year.

Bridge Level Overview and Policy

Karen Strasser distributed information on the Intensive English Program's Bridge Level Overview and Policy and asked for feedback.

Student Research Fellowship Program

Karen Strasser distributed information on the Student Research Fellowship Program, which is a pilot program in the College of Arts and Sciences and intended to support collaborative research projects between FSU faculty and students. She discussed the criteria for eligibility, requirements and the application process.

Planning

Fritz Erickson gave an update on this year's planning process.

Summer Semester

Don Flickinger discussed the upcoming Summer Semester and reiterated the importance to use the language in the current faculty bargaining agreement.

Exam Week Reminder

Don Flickinger discussed this week's exam week schedule and reminded that final exams need to be given during exam week.

SAI/IDEA Task Force

Robbie Teahen gave an update report from the SAI/IDEA task force.

State Authorization-Distance Education

Robbie Teahen distributed information regarding distance education and the need for institutions offering distance education to acquire authorization from any state where the institution has currently enrolled students. The details regarding this regulation continue to be clarified.

Roundtable

Mindy Baumgartner thanked the deans for the opportunity to meet with their faculty and staff to learn more about their colleges and academic offerings.

FNTFO Update

Don Flickinger gave a brief FNTFO faculty negotiations update report.

Respectfully submitted by Robin Hoisington