

**Ferris State University  
Deans' Council  
Tuesday, January 16, 2001  
Minutes**

Present: Nancy Cooley, Paul Prins, Tom Colladay, Ian Mathison, Sue Hammersmith, Bill Potter, George Waldheim, Jim Maas, Bruce Forintos, Al Uniacke, Richard Cochran, Doug Haneline, Tom Oldfield, Greg Frazer

Handouts: Agenda  
Strategic Marketing Materials  
Draft "Transfer Students: Credit in Residency Policy"  
Friends of Ferris Dinner/Dance Information  
Admissions Standards Task Force Recommendations  
"Moving into FLITE" information sheet  
Graduate Education Task Force Charge  
Dr. Bobby Scales Proposed Lecture Series

**1. Netherlands Update**

Greg Frazer just returned from a trip to the Netherlands along with Paul Landen, Michelle Johnston, David Kelson, and Deb Carley. The group met with representatives of Hogeschool IJselland in Deventer, as well as Enschede. The schools are interested in faculty/student exchanges and providing internships. Some FSU programs of specific interest include teacher education, radiography, environmental health and safety management, health information management, criminal justice and television production.

**2. UCEL – Student Satisfaction Report (Bruce Forintos)**

Bruce Forintos distributed and reviewed the 2000 Student Satisfaction Report. The survey was sent to 308 students, about 50% of the total off-campus students. Dean Fortinos suggested that deans review and send any comments or questions to him.

**3. Discussion of Academic Plan Documents**

Draft documents on vision, values, and goals and strategies were distributed to Deans' Council via e-mail last week. Dr. Chapman reviewed the outline of the Academic Plan. The rest of the documents were reviewed at length by Deans' Council members and suggested wording changes, etc., will be incorporated into the documents. Deans were asked to submit any other suggestions, etc., directly to Al Uniacke with a copy to Dr. Chapman.

**4. VPAA Planning Recommendations to President**

Copies of the UAPs for the Academic Affairs Division will be available for the deans at the end of this week.

## **5. "3 + 1" Policy Draft (Sue Hammersmith & Doug Haneline)**

Doug Haneline distributed a draft for proposed text in the catalog - "Transfer Students: Credit in Residency Policy". After extensive discussion, it was noted that the issue is more an internal one in regards to class substitution as well as the process for developing and approving articulation agreements. There was also some disagreement over actual practice in each of the state universities regarding transfer students. Bruce Forintos offered to conduct a quick survey with Council for Continuing Higher Education (CCHHE) people and invited suggested questions from the deans.

## **6. Friends of Ferris Information**

Information regarding the upcoming Friends of Ferris dinner/dance was distributed. Dr. Chapman noted that each division is urged to sell as many tickets/tables as possible. Tickets are available through the Academic Affairs Office or through Becky Ek. Deans are urged to attend or sponsor students/faculty/staff and/or vendors.

## **7. Admissions Standards Task Force Recommendations**

Copies of the Admissions Standards Task Force recommendations with appendices were distributed. Deans were asked to take one for them and have one available in their Dean's Office.

Open discussion sessions will be held on January 18 and 25. Deans were asked to share the session times/dates with faculty in their colleges. The Senate will be holding a special meeting for their own deliberations.

## **8. Other**

Richard Cochran distributed *Moving into FLITE* information sheet.

Dr. Chapman distributed the final Graduate Education Task Force charge, along with a copy of the invitation to serve sent to potential members.

Dr. Chapman distributed a copy of Raymond Gant's proposal for a lecture series highlighting Dr. Bobby Scales, a physician from Baldwin. Nancy Cooley has offered to serve as point person for Academic Affairs.

Deans were asked to coordinate the submission of incorrect catalog material through their college's catalog liaison. Process information will be developed and distributed soon for updating the web version. A system for updating the web version of the catalog will be established and distributed soon.

Dr. Chapman noted that Administrative Program Review information provided for question #7 was forwarded to Margaret Avritt to use for marketing purposes. Dr. Chapman, however, has asked Margaret to verify the information with the individual programs before using it.

Deans were reminded of the special Academic Senate meeting tonight.

Deans were reminded of the FLITE tour this Friday, January 19, from 3-5 p.m. Please meet at the Granger trailer.

A formal recognition of the FSU/KCAD merger will be tentatively held March 15. The event is by invitation only.

Paul Prins noted that activities celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the FSU/ATC partnership would be held February 19, 2001. Invitations will be sent soon.

Bruce Forintos noted that he's been in discussions with Ken Schultz and Paul Prins about the possibility of opening a non-credit office in Grand Rapids.

Dr. Chapman thanked the Arts and Sciences faculty and staff for their part in scheduling yesterday's Martin Luther King program yesterday.