

MINUTES

Present: Doug Haneline, Barbara Chapman, Bruce Forintos, Ian Mathison, Sue Hammersmith, Richard Cochran, Paul Prins, Nancy Cooley, Jim Maas, Bill Potter, George Waldheim

Absent: Al Uniacke

Special Guest: Eunice Merwin

Handouts: Agenda
Disabilities Services Referral Form
Brendeis Disabilities On-line Resource
Self Advocacy for Students with Learning Disabilities Handbook
Assessment of Prior Learning – Deans' Council Position Paper – October 1999
Deans' Council 2001-2003 Planning Presentations/Discussion – November 22-23
Academic Equipment Request List 1999-2000
Academic Plan Small Group Discussion Sheets

1. Disabilities Services Presentation – Eunice Merwin

Eunice Merwin, Educational Counselor for Students with Disabilities, described the criteria used at Ferris State University to determine disability and explained reasonable accommodation. She is available to meet individually with colleges. She also distributed copies of a *Self-Advocacy for Students with Learning Disabilities Handbook*.

2. Assessment of Prior Learning

Dr. Chapman distributed copies of the *Assessment of Prior Learning: Deans' Council Position Paper - October 1999*, and noted that she has shared copies with the Academic Senate Executive Board. A steering committee will be identified to provide direction and leadership. The counseling unit of University College has included assessment of prior learning in their UAP. Tracy Webb and Becky Kowalkoski have been identified as members of a steering committee and will be attending the CAEL March 2000 workshop in Chicago. Dr. Chapman and Dean Potter will discuss steering committee appointments as well as the next steps in the planning process.

3. Bachelors in Integrative Studies – Planning for Marketing and Implementation

Dr. Chapman noted that the proposed Bachelors in Integrative Studies is on the agenda for the November 3 Academic Affairs/Student Affairs committee meeting for approval. Dr. Chapman has asked Doug Haneline and Sue Hammersmith to discuss oversight, marketing, etc. Paul Prins, Bruce Forintos and a representative from Admissions need to be included in the discussion.

4. Board Policy on Residual Rights

The Board Policy on Residual Rights needs to be reviewed in relation to internet courses. As a result of last week's focus visit, NCA has urged Ferris to address the issue of learningware ownership. Dr. Chapman has raised the issue with Scott Hill-Kennedy and further discussions will occur in the near future. A list of issues needs to be developed and deans were asked to submit identified issues to Tom Oldfield for consideration/discussion.

5. TLTRs

Dr. Chapman has a draft letter from Richard Cochran, Nancy Cooley and the TLTR committee that recommends appointment of a chair of the TLTR steering committee as well as suggestions for a chair. The committee proposed that the TLTR steering committee chair would formulate the TLTR structure, mission, etc., and suggested 25% release time with logistical/clerical support provided through CTLFD. Dr. Chapman will review whether the steering committee will continue indefinitely or whether the TLTR will replace the committee once the TLTR is launched.

6. UAP Presentations – November 22 and 23

Copies of the Planning Presentations/Discussions agenda were distributed and discussed. The presentations will be held in BIS 421G. Henryk Marcinkiewicz, Lana Ford, Paul Landen and Tamsey Andrews will attend also. If deans require PowerPoint equipment, please let Mindy know.

7. Equipment Requests

Dr. Chapman noted that a lotus note regarding equipment requests for FY 2000 was distributed yesterday to the deans. Tom Oldfield also distributed an Academic Equipment Request List form, which should be somewhat easier to complete. The equipment lists are due November 12, instead of the previously requested November 5 deadline.

8. Post Tenure Review Evaluation Training

Tom Oldfield noted that Warren Hills will be contacting the deans for post tenure review evaluation training, if he hasn't done so already.

9. Academic Program Review

Academic Program Review draft recommendations will be reviewed with the Academic Senate Executive Board tonight. Presentations are scheduled with the full Academic Senate on November 16.

10. Summer Planning Guidelines

In response to requests, summer planning guidelines will be distributed within the next few weeks.

11. Academic Plan

Dr. Chapman noted that the small group discussion sheets from last week's Deans' Council meeting have been typed and copies were distributed. Several specific goals were discussed. Dr. Chapman asked deans to bring the sheets to next week's Deans' Council for further discussion.

12. Other

Bruce Forintos attended a recent meeting of the Coordinating Council for Higher Education where concerns were expressed about the proliferation of 3+1 programs within the state. It was noted that much of the third year is being offered by community colleges. Several four-year institutions will no longer participate in 3+1 programs.

Sue Hammersmith reminded the deans of the Kendall/FSU art exhibit open now in the Rankin Center Art Gallery. A reception is scheduled for Thursday, November 4.