

Strategic Planning and Resource Council
Executive Committee
September 19, 2014
MINUTES

Dr. Reese opened the meeting at 8:05 am in Wingo Hall 211.

Members present:

Dr. Nancy Reese, Chair

Dr. Tammy Rogers, Chair Elect

Dr. Don Bradley, President, Faculty Senate

Mr. Chad Hearne, President, Staff Senate

Ms. Ashley Ross, President, Student Government Association

Handouts: (1) Key Tasks 2014-15 for Annual Report (2) Strategic Planning Task Force List (3) Sanaghan Collaborative Strategic Planning Process

Business:

A) Approval of minutes from September 5, 2014

- C. Hearne moved to approve. D. Bradley seconded the motion. Motion passed, all in favor. Minutes will be posted on the website.

B) Key Tasks 2014-15 for SPARC Annual Report

- N. Reese mentioned instead of having campus forums, SPARC will solicit campus-wide input on the Strategic Plan (SP) through a series of open meetings. References to the 2010 initiatives were also removed from the list.
- T. Rogers indicated the dates on the results column needed correction. N. Reese will resend the corrected version of the Key Tasks via email so members may vote electronically.
- D. Bradley asked if it is time to update the charge from the Board of Trustees.
- N. Reese replied the charge already covers the ability to re-structure, but wondered how often it will need to be revised. It hasn't been looked at annually due to the cumbersome nature of the university's process. Most other institutions do look at it annually in conjunction with the budgeting process. Executive Staff should be responsible for creating and implementing the SP. Our charge is to report on the progress of the SP.
- T. Rogers stated the need to evaluate emergent opportunities with the SP, maybe establish "rainy day" funds to allow flexibility to deal with things outside the current scope of operations.
- D. Bradley said we spend too much time on the budget side of things and need to spend more time on the vision – what do we aspire to be.
- C. Hearne stated the budget drives everything now because of the terrible shape we were in back in 2008.
- D. Bradley said it's time to re-evaluate ourselves now that we have sound financial footing.

- N. Reese reported that President Courtway said it is time to reinvent the SP, and it does not need to go before the BOT, it can come straight from his office.

C) Strategic Plan Review Process

- N. Reese referenced the article from Sanaghan.
- T. Rogers mentioned the omission of student representation on the Task Force.
- N. Reese stated we would include students on our Task Force. N. Reese distributed a list of Potential SP Task Force members.
- D. Bradley said although there are too many people on the list, we need to have a larger (60%) faculty representation. Bradley suggested having elections to fill some slots.
- T. Rogers wondered if faculty will derail the process if they feel they are not represented.
- T. Rogers indicated the Provost Office is heavily represented. Maybe some individuals should serve as ex officio and provide assistance/feedback as needed.
- D. Bradley suggested adding more external stakeholders.
- N. Reese said we could identify those external stakeholders and bring them together with the Task Force.
- T. Rogers agreed and said the Task Force will synthesize the feedback from the stakeholders.
- N. Reese will revise the membership list and take it to the President.

D) Submissions for the October BOT Meeting

- N. Reese reported the revisions to the SP (done in July) have been submitted for inclusion at the BOT meeting in October.

E) New Funding Proposals

- N. Reese reported the SBAC proposal requests were sent to VPs last week.

F) Upcoming SPC and SBAC meetings

- N. Reese reported that campus talks will be addressed at the SPC meeting in October

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 am.