Strategic Planning and Resource Council November 21, 2013 Minutes

Dr. Reese opened the meeting at 1:40 p.m. in Wingo Hall 211

Members Present:

Dr. Nancy Reese, Chair Dr. Charles Watson, President, Faculty Senate Lindsey Osborne, President, Staff Senate Adam Price, President, Student Government Association

1) Approval of Minutes

Charles Watson moved to approve the minutes of November 1, 2013. Lindsey Osborne seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2) SBAC Voting

The committee discussed issues that had been raised by three SBAC members regarding the desire for privacy in voting on ranking of new funding proposals. Discussion ensued over the merits of private versus public voting. The unanimous opinion of SPARC members was that public voting would provide transparency. However, the committee also recognized that some members might feel uncomfortable voting with others watching. As a compromise, the committee decided to promote transparency and open discussion through the following modified voting procedure:

- Voting will occur electronically during the SBAC meeting on December 12.
- Prior to the vote, open discussion of new funding proposals will be encouraged.
- If, as a result of the first round of voting, two or more items receive the same number of votes, or if the vote on two or more items is within 2 votes, those items may be brought forward for further discussion by the committee.
- Additional votes and discussion will occur until all items are clearly ranked.

3) SPARC Transition

Dr. Reese reported on her meeting with President Courtway regarding the naming of her replacement. There will be at least one year of overlap with the current and incoming Chairs of SPARC. Dr. Reese's term on SPARC will end May 31, 2015. Committee members were asked to consider faculty members who might do well as SPARC Chair.

Meeting Adjourned: 2:10 p.m.

Next Meeting: 8:00 a.m. December 6, 2013 in Wingo Hall 211