President’s Council (PC) Meeting Summary
May 23, 2007
8:00 a.m., RAN 155

Attendance: Burcham, Duffett, Eisler, Green, Oldfield, Pilgrim, Postema
Guest: Sally DePew

Action Item: Summaries from the April 25, 2007 and May 9, 2007 meetings were approved for posting.

Discussions Items:

- 2007-2008 University Rate Schedule
  VP Duffett presented a draft 2007-2008 University Rate Schedule. Council members discussed and approved the schedule.

- 2008 Spring Academic Calendar
  President Eisler distributed the 2008 Spring academic calendar and initiated discussion on it.

- Diversity Office
  CDO Pilgrim provided an update of issues on which his office is working. He announced that Patty Terryn’s position has been reassigned; as of June 1st, she will be Administrative Assistant to the Chief Diversity Officer and located in CSS 312.

- Enrollment
  VP Burcham distributed updated summer and fall enrollment statistics. In the fall, Council will review the Founders Scholarship data.

- Banner Operations
  VP Duffett has not heard of major issues with Banner operations; ODS training has begun.

- Strategic Planning
  President Eisler reported that the Strategic Planning and Resource Council (SPARC) working groups have started meeting.

- Start of School Week
  President Eisler requested suggestions and discussion for the beginning of the academic year meetings. August 20th will be used for college meetings instead of a university-wide convocation; President Eisler will attend all that he can. The President will host a New Faculty Reception during their week of orientation. August 30th will be Founders’ Day, including a State of the University address by the President, a possible presentation of SPARC by Robert von der Osten, and possibly a speaker on change or the future. There was discussion of an event to include the community for that evening. VP Burcham will look into the cost of purchasing and storage of a large tent to be used for occasions such as Founders’ Day.

- Other
  VP Burcham mentioned that we are at the point of exceeding capacity at some Commencement ceremonies; Mike Cairns will be invited to the next PC meeting to bring statistics and ideas. VP Oldfield mentioned the reorganization taking place in the Academic Affairs office. VC Green presented the merging of UCEL and CPTS with the intent that the off-campus sites will be working together and using current data online. CDO Pilgrim stated that the Jim Crow Museum is loaning
signs to the Bill Clinton Museum. President Eisler reminded Council members of the need to attend Ferris Summer University.

Next meeting date: The next PC is scheduled for June 12th in CSS 301C.

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