Meeting came to order at 1:05 PM Feb. 24, 1998 in ELC 325

Present were Denise Solko, chair, Courtney Young, Curtis Link, Robert DeDominic, Celia Schahczenski., Larry Smith, Don Stierle, Doug Cameron

Larry Smith suggested striking the MBMG as being a sponsor of TGIF's from the previous minutes. It was approved to strike that item from the minutes.

There was a discussion of TGIFs- and the number of people attending and how that would affect future TGIFs.

One of the reasons for calling this meeting was to provide guidance for Bob DeDominic who is the faculty senate representative at the Budget Advisory Committee meetings. The senate agreed that at this point that it would be best for Bob to perform the tasks of

- information gathering
- influencing decisions.

The information obtained from the meetings would then be passed on to the senate for further action. Some of the issues to be discussed in upcoming meetings include:

- 2001 Biannual goals
- FY 1999 tuition fees
- FY 1998-99 enrollment

Denise brought up the issue of whether a forum with the purpose of explaining the budget process is in order for the campus and whether the faculty would be better served by a forum than the division budget meetings.

Larry suggested that maybe the administration should present the budget to the faculty as a whole for discussion and approval.

Bob DeDominic. asked if a copy of last years budget was on file in the library - supposed to be. Bob will check. Bob had to leave at 1:25 PM.

Denise asked who should be approached about initiating budget discussions. Agreed to send a memo to Doug Coe and John Hintz requesting budgetary information. It was also suggested that some form of training be available for any and all interested faculty for understanding budgets and what they mean.

Faculty senate bylaws -

- 1) Minor corrections have been suggested
- 2) It was decided to keep the wording that requires a full slate of officers.
- 3) It was agreed to elect officers after the last faculty meeting in May but this was not put into the form of a motion.
- 4) The role of secretary will be defined as having the responsibility to see that secretarial duties are performed.
- 5) Denise will distribute the changes by email and accept additions.
- 6) The final version must be distributed to faculty; for purposes of discussion.
- 7) Inclusion of release time for chair into the bylaws was determined to be inappropriate.

A short discussion of residency requirements as they apply to program minors led to searching for more information. This is an area that may be defined/guided by information coming out of the strategic planning document.

Discussion of VCAA search -

Concerns were expressed about Pres. Dennison and Chan. Norman choosing the vice-chancellor. Concern was also expressed over the committee chair losing control of the VCAA search committee and its meetings.

Issues of concern:

- the composition of committee is inclusion of the Chancellor's wife a conflict of interest?
- the fact that the committee was handpicked by Lindsay N.
- the issue of timing in regards to the new Chancellor having input into the selection of the new VCAA
- degree of Lindsay N's involvement in the VCAA choice
- whether the new Chancellor will have enough input into the choice of the new VCAA
- delays in the proper advertising of the position in the Chronicle of Higher Education, the ad was
 placed in the wrong section, had the wrong closing date, and the corrected add appeared very late
 in the process.

It was suggested to write a letter to Dennison stating our concerns in the VCAA selection process regarding the committee makeup, where ads have been sent, and the timing of those ads. Our recommendation will be to delay the date at which the VCAA will be chosen and delay the start date, by as much as a few months.

The meeting was adjourned 2:10 PM.

Minutes recorded by Curtis Link