

November 14, 2006

Meeting began at 3:00 p.m in the University Center Magnolia Room.

Welcome and Update (President Zaccari)

- Discussed revisions to University Council.
 - Additional seats for Faculty Senate, COSA, SGA, and the Diversity Council. Selection contingent upon ability to provide representation in one of three prongs: administrative policies, strategic planning, and/or master planning.
 - In the spring, University Council meetings will continue as in the last two months, with one meeting per month.
- Thank you to everyone that participated in welcoming Chancellor Davis.
- Reported on meeting with the Foundation Office where they discussed the selection process for architects (\$5M project south of the cemetery, football operations, practice field, and soccer field).
- Voting on Statutes update.

Approval of the October 31st minutes (Dr. C. Coons Yates)

- L. Gaskins objected to approving the October 31st minutes until references to her comments were more thoroughly included.
- Dr. Zaccari explained that future minutes will be structured like Faculty Senate's minutes and if employees would like to listen to the meeting, complete audio tapes are available.
- Dr. L. Levy made a motion to table the discussion of the minutes. H. Coppage second the motion. The motion was approved.

Presentation & Discussion of Financial Support Objectives (Dr. C. Tori)

- Based upon goal and objectives set from the Planning Retreat, we looked at three basic areas.: (1) How to design and implement the plan to pull together all units, (2) Establish and design a method to obtain external funding (corporate and alumni) and (3) Creating a greater sense of VSU pride. These recommendation can be found in the attached document.
- Council suggestions included:
 - Action Step 1 Measure 1.1 Traycee Martin suggested adding Director of Grants and Contracts when hired.
 - Action Step 2, it should read The President will work with Vice President for University Advancement. "I will be developing action plans and will be evaluating Deans on how well they carry through their action steps. It should be in conjunction with Vice President University Advancement and Vice President Academic Affairs," (L. Levy).
 - Dr. Coons Yates suggested to Scott Sikes that the performance indicator for action step three needs to match the one he is writing for his initiative metric.
 - C. James suggested objectives be placed in priority order.
 - T. Martin suggested in Action Step 5 Measure 5.3, use an existing database.
 - L. Gaskins made the suggestion of adding the Director of Alumni Relations to Action Steps seven and eight.
 - Dr. Coons Yates suggested the 1906 Society needs to know next steps in terms of goals of participants over the next five years, dollar amounts, or functions. (measure 8.1).
 - J. Baker mentioned that SGA's initiative was to draft a letter to be sent to local businesses in support of expanded merchandising.

Presentation and Discussion of Academic Programs Objectives (H. Coppage)

- Created 6 action steps for Academic Programs, included in attachment.
- T. Martin requested to receive Letters of Intent for accounting purposes. Dr. Levy stated that requests go through the Strategic Planning Database and they may or may not get the request for additional money.
- President Zaccari stated that the Chancellor is discussing new procedures involving new programs. If a program is not performing after three years of approval it will be unlikely that the program will continue.
- The work group defined interdisciplinary backgrounds as "any faculty that VSU hires (new this year) with a degree in more than one discipline."
- Council suggestions included:
 - Rewrite action step three to reflect that we will focus on multiple delivery systems and anything that has to do with interdisciplinary will be moved to the second action step.
 - Move Increase Cohort Groups to Enrollment & Retention goals.

Demonstration of Metric Module in the Strategic Planning Database (Dr. C. Coons Yates)

- Added three new parts for initiatives. (1) Where are you currently, (2) What Methods will be used to assess outcome of the initiative, (3) Progress of Initiative
- Those who receive funding must update three times a year. Those that do not receive funding, update once a year.

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 5th, 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Library Auditorium

Council Members In Attendance:

Christy Coons Yates
Ralph Allen
Jeremy Baker
Jim Black
Denise Bogart
Honey Coppage
Laverne Gaskins
Charles Harmon
Christine James
Louis Levy
Traycee Martin
Russ Mast
Joe Newton
Ray Sable
Jin Wang
Ronald Zaccari,

Advisory Members in Attendance:

Marsha Krotseng
Kurt Keppler
Walter Peacock
Scott Sikes

Members Not in Attendance:

Richard Carter
Herb Reinhard
Maggie Viverette, Tim Yorkey

Guests:

George Gaumond (Library)
Cindi Tori (COBA)
Rob Kellner (Auxiliary)
Thressea Boyd (President's Office)
Brian Adler (Dean Graduate School)