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## **Consultative Committee**4 September 2012

- Present: Brook Miller, Heather Waye, Ray Schultz, Joey Daniewicz, Zach Van Cleve, Molly Donovan, LeAnn Dean, Bonnie Tipcke, Nancy Helsper, Jim Barbour
- LeAnn will get remaining minutes from last year up on Digital Well
- Minutes from last week **approved**
- Brook has reserved the Prairie Lounge for our meetings from 10-11 am all semester
- Jacquie Johnson on schedule for next week:
  - o Topic: RAR
- Bart Finzel will be with us on 25 September
- LeAnn has had 1 reply to the campus-wide email
  - o S. Buchanan re hot conditions in Humanities Bldg
    - We will consider
- <u>Charge Document</u> (Brook gave some background info for new members)
  - Organised around 5 basic points
  - o Goal for this semester or year: White paper
    - Do we send to Nic & Jen, Steering Center, Jeff R-C, whom else?
- Begin to look at 5 points:
  - 1. CC engages with campus stakeholders to improve campus decision making by providing a cross-campus perspective.
    - Representative makeup of the committee
    - "Stakeholders" narrows to those persons with a real stake in the matter Everyone on campus can be a stakeholder
      - Does "stakeholder" discourage inquiries to Consultative Cmte?
      - Amend to "interested parties and key stakeholders"
  - 2. CC solicits regular communication with campus leadership to understand current priorities and programs.
    - We are not just reactionary we reach out to the community includes whom? Consider expanding invitations e.g., Lowell
      Rasmussen. Campus Planning affects us all, but we don't want to
      tread on Planning Cmte business.
    - So, chancellor & Vice Chancellors group? others as needed?
      - —Campus Leadership includes student leaders
  - 3. CC engages with campus stakeholders to understand how planned changes to personnel or programs may impact the campus community
    - See changes in #1 we can engage when we see issues coming up
      - Bonnie: visitors expect immediate response can we institute time for deliberation? Can interact with others in these deliberations
      - We can refer people to other committees
      - Brook will work on language
      - Are we the "Committee to Circumvent Other Committees"?

- 4. CC provides recommendations and planning services for evolving and new programs when asked by campus stakeholders to do so.
  - e.g., last year we explored F/S orientation
    - Expand language to include all stakeholders
    - Screening requests err on the side of sharing
    - Steering will meet with cmte chairs can run this by them
- 5. CC provides a confidential space for people to discuss sensitive or difficult (nonpersonnel) concerns about campus programs, policies, or actions taken.
  - "people" →all members of campus
  - Strike "nonpersonnel"
- Q To whom do we report? Reactive vs. Proactive
  - Year-end Report? Paperwork burden, information overload?
  - o NH: Could use annual unit reports very helpful
- Q Confidentiality → Vague minutes
- Q Language on website? Brook will check on this can go through Rebecca Webb to get it changed
  - No action or update of our page in 2 years
  - o Could the 5 points be put on the site?
- Supporting Memorandum, item #2
  - Where does new business come from? We need to add something to include internally generated ideas
- Item #5, Vetting a) Language, b) Special problems, d) e.g. Annual schedule of events issues student activities
  - Discussion of various scheduling problems Media Services not being notified - do we need to explore this issue?
  - \*\*Add Interdepartmental issues
- Back to #4: Creating accountability? Constituency Building? Meet with key groups, maybe a forum? Is this a good idea for us? Maybe not?
- Item #7: Consider this section this year Confer with Steering Cmte when another cmte involvement is appropriate
  - Brook will work on language
  - o Do we know if petitioners follow up by consulting other groups?
- We will return to this document on 18 September
- Next week: Jacquie Johnson on RAR
- Everyone look at website for Consultative
- Suggestion: Keep this an open document this year revising as experience requires

Respectfully submitted,

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