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Faculty Development Committee
March 5, 2014

Present: Mark Logan (chair), Rebecca Dean, Tracy Otten, and Adele Lawler

Absent: Jeremy Karger-Gatzow

Minutes from the February 26, 2015 were read and approved. Otten will send the minutes to Jayne Blodgett for inclusion in the Digital Well.

Logan stated that Pieranna Garavaso has withdrawn her idea for the Fall Professional Development Day and will not be able to present. Logan is going to check with Troy Goodnough to see if he might be interested in presenting a session.

Logan received a reply from Jennifer Herrmann-Zych and she was going to get in touch with Brenna Hucka on a joint presentation. Logan said the committee could consider this presentation in progress.

Otten asked Logan where Barbara Burke was on her idea; Logan had not heard from her but he will follow-up.

Logan informed the committee that Argie Manolis said she would facilitate at the open session in the afternoon.

Logan has not heard back from Clement Loo on his request for easels and paper over white boards and markers. Logan will contact Clement on this issue.

Logan had sent an email to Brenda Boever if she would be willing to help with a session on upcoming changes in advising. He has not heard from her and will follow up.

Lawler reported on her conversation with the Dean regarding the bonfire and social hour. He told her to let the group continue to plan on the bonfire. The social hour would be a little bit difficult since there will be children. The Dean wanted Lawler to check with the committee to see if they think a Dean's Dessert would be an item they would discuss. One of the Dean's ideas was to have the Welcome Back picnic at the West Central Research and Outreach gardens. The committee discussed this and they preferred to keep the picnic on campus, the mall is a great place for kids to play and faculty/staff/families that walk to campus for the picnic would have to find a way out to the gardens. One idea was to see if having a bonfire the night before, after the Chancellor's dinner for new faculty, this way there could be a "plug" for the Fall Professional Development Day. Lawler will check with the Chancellor's assistant. (After meeting note: Lawler checked with the Chancellor's assistant, Carrie will check with the Chancellor and get back to Lawler.)

Regarding the social hour a member (sorry, didn't get the name) mentioned having a social hour later after the Fall Professional Development Day. This could be a gathering to see if people who attended the Fall Professional Development Day found it benefited them.

Dean stated that if there is a session on the First Year Experience, this could open up a can of worms that the Faculty Development Committee has no power to change. Logan stated when he emailed Jennifer Herrmann-Zych and Brenna Hucka he discussed retention and did not mention First Year Experience for the same reason.

The committee discussed the possibility that if Qualtrics is not a good presentation then go with Technology. Angie Stangl would be willing to participate, Logan will contact Angie Stangl.

At the last meeting, Lawler was going to check with Chlene Anderson to see if she had an idea if there would be a broad enough interest in Qualtrics. Lawler did not do this but will after today's meeting. (After meeting note: Lawler checked with Chlene Anderson, she did not give an idea as to the interest in Qualtrics; however she did state that Kelly Asche, Rebecca Haider, and Angie Stangl are the pros on this.) Chlene also stated that faculty would more likely want to hear from faculty members presenting and not P&A. She mentioned that Jon Anderson has expertise in stats, and perhaps he could start out and then have Kelly Asche and company could fill in. She also stated that Jon Anderson is familiar with survey solutions, design, and sampling.

The committee agreed that two topics in the morning would be OK; however three topics would be fine as well. As of this meeting there are three possible topics:

- Student Retention
- Qualtrics or Technology
- Sustainability

With the possibility of adding a session on assessment. Logan will follow up with Kristin Lamberty.

There will be no meeting next week (Spring Break) but the committee will meet on March 19, 2015).

Meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.
Submitted by Adele Lawler