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USFSP College of Business Council Meeting

Thursday, October 27, 2005 10:00AM

Present: Karin Braunsberger, Tom Carter, Jim Fellows, Scott Geiger, Ellen Hufnagel, Gary Patterson, Jim Spence
Absent: Jerry Lander (on sabbatical)

Revisions to the College of Business Governance Document

The major item on today's agenda was discussion of the feedback received from faculty at the Town Hall meetings on our proposed revisions to the College of Business Governance document. Faculty feedback was in fact quite limited and the only change to the document was specification of what constitutes a quorum. The revised document was approved and will be sent to the faculty for a vote. If approved, the document will take effect on January 1, 2006.

Administrative Reorganization

Council members also discussed the article and letters that have appeared in the paper as well as email sent to students regarding administrative changes in the College. The CBC urges faculty to refrain from commenting about personnel changes in the College or speculating about the longer term effect of these changes in their classes. We remain hopeful that the USFSP administration will share their plans for staffing key administrative positions in the near future.

Other Issues Requiring Faculty Participation

Several issues requiring immediate attention on the part of our disciplinary units were discussed:

1. Scheduling for 2006 Summer and Fall classes should begin immediately. Rollover schedule for the previous Summer and Fall semesters will be available online shortly. Given the shortage of classrooms/labs across campus, getting the schedule in on time is imperative.
2. How the Tracking Academic Progress of Students (TAPS) requirements will affect us remains unclear at this point, but faculty involvement is important. This initiative is designed to ensure that students are provided a complete degree plan along with guaranteed availability of course selections when they declare their major. Director of Academic Advising Cyndie Collins will be asked to discuss the draft documents prepared by USF Tampa at our next CBC meeting.

(Note: Information about TAPS as well as Tampa's plan for each major can be found at <http://www.ugs.usf.edu/taps/taps.htm>)

Beyond Gray Pinstripes

The documents sent to Beyond Gray Pinstripes were briefly discussed. Any faculty who are interested in reviewing these documents can review the binder at Barb Higel's desk.

Next Meeting

The next CBC meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, November 17th. An announcement will be sent via email when the date and time are confirmed.