President’s Planning & Policy Council  
Monday, November 21, 2011

The President’s Planning and Policy Council met on Monday, November 21, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was held in the Broome Library at California State University Channel Islands, One University Drive, Camarillo.

In attendance: Michael Berman, Renny Christopher, Breana Christie, Chanda Cunningham-Spence, Amy Denton, Therese Eyermann, Elysse Farnell, Jacque Kilpatrick, Sean Kelly, Dawn Neuman, Rosa Rodriguez, Richard Rush, Greg Sawyer, Jim Walker, Ching-Hua Wang, Rus Winans

Absent: Wes Cooper, Bill Cordeiro, Linda Covarrubias, Sandra Kornuc, Dulce Lopez, Daniel Martinez, Jim Meriwether, Nelle Moffett, Stacy Roscoe, Jennifer Schweisinger, Diana Smith,

Others in attendance: Karen Carey, David Chakraborty, Damien Peña, Melissa Remotti, Jane Sweetland, Dan Wakelee

1. President’s Reports

The President reported that in light of the state budget situation, there might be further cuts to the CSU system and whatever cuts could happen, CI would be able to handle it.

2. Policies

Melissa Remotti briefly introduced to the Council several pending and up-coming policies for consideration.

The President mentioned the following existing policies on the Consent Calendar for 3-year review, including:

• SA.02.014 - Policy on Application Roll-Over
• AA.04.004 - Policy on Review of Divisional Assessment Plans
• AA.04.005 - Policy on Assessment
• AA.04.006 - Policy on Clearinghouse for Institutional Research
• AA.04.007 - Policy on Coordination of Data Collection for Purposes of Institutional Research.

Since no suggestions and revisions had been made to these policies, they were approved for another 3 years.

Damien Peña presented a new Policy on Student Involvement on Campus during Pre-Finals & Finals Weeks was presented by to the Council for approval. It was moved, seconded, and approved by the Council unanimously.

Damien Peña presented a new Policy on Eligibility Requirements for Membership in Student Clubs and Organizations to the Council for discussion. It was noted by Damien and the President that a minimum GPA of 2.5 was required of students for membership in student clubs and organizations at CI which was higher than the national norm. This policy would be presented to the Council in January 2012 for approval purposes.
3. Strategic Planning

Karen Carey presented the STEM Strategic Initiative efforts at CI. She summarized the 2- and 5-year objectives of the initiative and presented the significant efforts and progress made in meeting these objectives in the last two years. She highlighted the impressive efforts and accomplishments in increase in STEM majors and graduates, the awarded external grants in Biology and Chemistry (>6.2M STEM-related grants in 2010-2011), the continuation of the President Summer Fellows and the Provost’s Faculty Resource Fund Programs, and the recent Science Carnival outreach event that attracted over 1,500 people in the community. Sean Kelly mentioned the importance of undergraduate research.

Dan Wakelee and Dave Chakraborty presented the Sustainability Strategic Initiative and its efforts and accomplishments in the last 2 years by focusing on the assessment and inventory of CI’s activities. Notable accomplishments included significantly reduced campus electricity (>27%) and water consumptions (28%), ~50% reduction of waste, and planting drought-tolerant native plants.

In 2011-2012, the Sustainability Task Force plans to create 5 subcommittees to focus on:

- Transportation
- Strategic Energy
- Recycling Awareness
- Environmental Literacy
- New Building Goals.

Chanda Cunningham-Spence questioned whether CI considered telecommuting as a means to work at CI. The President stated that this, along with many other options, would be considered.

4. Other

No other item was discussed. The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Ching-Hua Wang