Executive Council Meeting

June 2, 2006, 10:00 am, UW2 327


Guests: Tom Bellamy, JoLynn Edwards, Diane Gillespie and Elaine Kraft

Steve announced that this is the last EC meeting for 2005-06. He welcomed the new EC members for 2006-07.

Approval of minutes from May 4 and 19 2006

EC minutes of May 4 and 19, 2006 were unanimously approved.

Community Psychology proposal: Review comments from tri-campus review, responses to comments from IAS, and note on budget implications

The 14 day tri-campus review of the Community Psychology option has been completed. Two comments were recorded and addressed by IAS. As the next step in tri-campus curriculum review process, the EC will draft a memo for the UW Registrar to verify that there has been compliance with the procedures of the review. An EC discussion of the proposal for the option brought forth some questions regarding whether or not sufficient funding has been made available to support the service learning component. While strongly endorsing the new option, the EC considered motions that would express its budgetary concerns.

Motion

The EC has serious concerns about whether there is sufficient funding to support the service learning component of the Community Psychology concentration. It therefore recommends that funds be shifted from the TLC’s service learning budget to IAS.

Vote: 2 - yes, 4 - no. The motion did not carry.

After further discussion another motion was called.

Motion

The EC provisionally approves the Community Psychology concentration in IAS pending a full review by the EC of the support for service learning by the end of Winter Quarter 2007.

Vote: 5 - yes, 1 - abstain. The motion carries.

Report to EC from Elaine Kraft on communications and public relations activities
Elaine thanked the EC for a chance to update them on the public relations activities underway at UWB and asked for its help in increasing the visibility of the campus. She is actively publishing and communicating UWB stories and asked that faculty come forward with news and information on what is happening in the programs and with individual faculty that will spread the word on faculty accomplishments at UWB. The EC offered some suggestions to help promote UWB. A couple of ways to discover what is happening in the programs would be to consult with staff in the programs and have student "spotters" that report areas of interest they are aware of, either with faculty or students. Elaine shared some ideas that will bring the public to UWB and strengthen our place in the community. Part of her plan to promote the campus is to bring high profile people to UWB for events, use student recruitment to convey why students come to UWB and connect with stakeholders in significant ways. She is also working on a new UWB website that will be dynamic and present an exceptional image to students and the community.

Freshmen profile: Review and discussion

The EC studied the freshman profile information from Student Affairs and discussed predictors of success in admitting freshmen. The EC would like to charge CUSP with responsibility for freshman admissions through Summer Quarter 2006.

Proposed policy for English proficiency for freshmen applicants and undergraduate admissions guidelines for homeschool applicants

This proposal from the Office of Academic Affairs provides Student Affairs with a policy to use when considering applications from individuals with these applicant profiles.

Motion

The EC endorses the policies for English proficiency for freshmen applicants and undergraduate admissions guidelines for homeschool applicants.

Vote: the motion carries unanimously.

EC/AC Retreat of 5/26: Summary and discussion of results

Tom asked that the EC consider what the next steps will be toward planning over the summer. The EC believes that a broader faculty conversation is needed in the coming year but that some attention should be given in the short term to potential minors and majors that could be started fairly quickly. In addition, because of the broad cross-program interest in applied science, math, and technology, the EC thinks it appropriate to encourage long-term planning in this area.

Motion

The EC endorses the formation of a planning group for Summer Quarter 2006 to propose a strategy and process for long-term cross-programmatic academic planning. Specifically, we encourage future planning for science, math and applied science.
Vote: 4 yes, the motion carries.

**Year-end reflections and passing of the torch to next year's EC.**

The EC welcomed new EC members and Mike Stiber as the new Chair of the EC.

Minutes submitted by Barbara Van Sant