

MAY 2012 COLLEGE COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Tuesday, May 2, 2012

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Present: Council Members:

D. Hanson, Chairman, G. Aney, D. Burns, P. Donovan, T. Huang, and T. Max

Guests:

B. Durgin, V. Fusco, M. Lyons, T. Panebianco, P. Perkins, C. Phipps, B. Reichel, A. Styno, J. Swann, D. Tyksinski, and W. Yeigh

The meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m.

Chairman Hanson welcomed everyone to the meeting; Council and cabinet members introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Dr. Max and seconded by D. Burns to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2012, meeting as presented. All were in favor.

Council Committee Structure

Chairman Hanson suggested the College Council consider creating committees that could be used to enhance the role of the Council.

Chairman Hanson proposed a Council/Board Development Committee; this committee could be responsible for creating an orientation process for new board members as well as advising the President and Chancellor on appropriate candidates for Council vacancies. Ideas discussed to help with an orientation process were a briefing book, half-day orientation, and a campus tour. D. Burns advised she would like to be part of this committee.

Dr. Yeigh stated the Association of Council Members and College Trustees of the State University of New York (ACT) holds an annual conference in October that would be highly beneficial to new council members.

Chairman Hanson encouraged the Council to contact him with any additional committee suggestions.

Provost Report

Dr. Durgin stated a community forum was held on April 9 to share the draft strategic plan with the campus community. He is working on updating the draft plan with the suggestions received at the forum. Please contact him with any additional comments.

The Council discussed the classification of SUNYIT in SUNY's technology sector and agreed we are more of a specialized university. Dr. Yeigh advised in the new SUNY Report Card we are identified in the specialized sector.

B. Durgin stated SUNY is working to change how they allocate funding to campuses. The new process will be based primarily on three items; enrollment of the institution, nature of the enrollment (degree of difficulty of the academic programs), and the degree to which the institution is engaged in research.

An enrollment update for fall 2012 was provided to the Council. B. Durgin advised we have seen a significant increase in applications as well as an increase in the quality of the students.

VP for Administration Report

B. Reichel provided a handout, which updated the Council on current campus projects. He acknowledged the Student Association for two gifts that are being used to enhance projects at the Campus Center.

A general contractor was recently chosen for the CAT/CCCC building. The selection committee is currently reviewing design proposal with anticipated construction to begin over the summer.

President's Report

Dr. Yeigh invited the Council to attend the Nanotechnology Forum being held on Thursday, May 3, 2012, from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. in the Student Center. This will be the first forum in a series sponsored by SUNYIT.

The commencement ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, May 5 at 10:00 a.m. in the Wildcat Field House. Lt. Gov. Duffy will be our speaker. Live streaming of the event can be accessed on our webpage.

Adjournment

At 5:20 p.m. a motion was made by G. Aney and seconded by Dr. Max to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.