

# California State University Channel Islands

President's Planning & Policy Council

Monday, May 10, 2010

The President's Council met on Monday, May 10, 2010 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:** Richard Rush, Michael Berman, Renny Christopher, Theresa Cilley, Joanne Coville, Joe Dobzynski, Therese Eyermann, Tom Froelich, Jerry Garcia, Beth Hartung, Chris Jetton, Effie Karacali, Bonnie Lanthier, Dennis Muraoka, Dawn Neuman, Greg Sawyer, Steve Stratton, Rachel Tafoya, Eric Toshalis, Julia Wilson, John Yudelson.

**Absent:** Tristan Cassell, Bill Cordeiro, Jacque Kilpatrick, Sandra Kornuc, Lori MacDonald, Stacy Roscoe, Kevin Schallert, Jim Walker

**Others in attendance:** Debbie Gravelle, Nelle Moffett, Amanda Quintero, Melissa Remotti, Jane Sweetland, Ashish Vaidya, Chung-Hua Wang, Deborah Wylie

## 1. President's Reports

- a. CI was named best in higher education in the West County
- b. Mohammad Yunus has a new book out in which he cites CI
- c. President Rush thanked everyone for their work in this difficult year
- d. At the Trustee's meeting CI will be cited by the Campus Compact as an outstanding campus

## 2. Presentation: HSI designation, Amanda Quintero

- a. CI has achieved the designation more quickly than other campuses, which have taken 10-20 years
- b. Classification recognizes our achievement of reaching a critical mass, reflecting the demographics of our community and encouraging Latino participation in higher education
- c. CI has also received a temporary designation, lasting 8 months, that allows the campus to apply for three grant programs under Title V. We will be submitting in all three areas. The programs funded by these grants will help support student access, retention and graduation of all CI students.
- d. The total dollar amount available might be as much as \$10 million over the next five years, if all three proposals are funded. These would be large-impact programs which would benefit all our students, 30% of whom are first-generation students.
- e. The designation is not static; we need to continually assess our strengths and weaknesses in serving these students; we have to reapply on an annual basis for the designation, based on the critical mass of Latino students as well as economic factors.

## 3. Strategic Initiative update: Sustainability, Ashish Vaidya and Deborah Wyle

- a. Task Force established in 2008, renewed in 2010, adopted this statement: "elevate sustainability as a core value and identity for CI and the region."
- b. CI joined AASHE (Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education), participating in the STARS (Sustainability Tracking, Assessment, and Rating System), a self-reporting framework for measuring campus progress in sustainability. We are one of 132 institutions participating, one of 6 CSUs, in this first year of the program.

- c. The STARS assessment will result in 2-year and 5-year goals for the campus.
  - d. January 2011 is the deadline to submit our information and receive our initial rating.
  - e. Vaidya and Wylie have each hired a student assistant at 20 hours a week to gather the needed information. The challenge is that we don't necessarily measure things in the manner the manner that the assessment tool calls for.
- 4. Strategic Initiatives update: STEM, Ching-Hua Wang**
- a. A handout detailing STEM 2-year and 5-year initiatives developed by the STEM Task Force was distributed
  - b. During Fall 2009, the Task Force produced reports on the pipeline of student in STEM fields and one on the positioning of STEM curriculum at CI.
  - c. A Strategic STEM Initiative Committee was formed in February, 2010, to oversee the implementation of the 2-year and 5-year initiatives. The committee has 17 members from across campus; it is broken into 3 subcommittees, each working on particular aspects of the initiatives: students, university, and outreach.
  - d. The Committee has produced a set of feasible action plans, expected outcomes, responsible parties and resource implications and developed dashboard indicators to monitor progress.
  - e. Wang's powerpoint report detailed progress made on each of the initiatives in each of the three areas.
- 5. Policies:**
- a. *Recommendation: Policy on Eligibility for Student Clubs and Organizations, Debbie Gravelle*
    - i. m/s/p Sawyer/Coville
  - b. *Recommendation: Policy on Composition of MPP Search Committees, Therese Eyermann*
    - i. Eyermann reports that following discussions with various constituents after the first reading of this item, focusing on the challenge of not having committees that are too large to be efficient, proposed changes are being brought to the second reading. These changes involve reducing the number of required MPPs and to include students only on MPP IV search committees, and toning down the language requiring proportional representation.
    - ii. m/s/p Dobzynski/Sweetland
- 6. Other:**
- a. Next meeting: Fall, 2010

Respectfully Submitted by Renny Christopher