University Planning Group Minutes
April 29, 2011

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: CAS Conference Room, 140 KFA

Present: Fernando Delgado, Michael Harris, Terry Ferriss, Gregg Heinselman
Absent: Dale Gallenberg, Stacey Stoffregen, Brad Mogen, Dale Braun, Brian Schultz, Jim Madsen, Alan Tuchenhagen, Kristen Hendrickson, Sarah Egerstrom, Steve Kelm

Agenda Items

1) Living the Promise Summary
   - Began meeting by reviewing LTP summary memo and raw meeting notes for what has worked well, not worked well, what should be changed for next strategic plan
   - The Provost would like to pass these documents along to the Strategic Planning Coordinating Group for their use
   - Most coherent theme from the focus groups= LTP was too broad, too many tasks
   - Need to figure out how we retain the buy-in LTP had but remain focused= goal for SPCG
   - One member raised the point that grad process input must be included the next time around
     - The Provost recognized their needs to be a team to work on an academic plan- Have spoken with the Deans, Faculty Senate, and other committees
     - Parts of this lost due to turnover on campus
     - Grad Council intends to have own strategic plan but are waiting in order to align their goals with the new campus strategic plan

2) Academic Program Prioritization Report Out
   - This document has been passed along to the Deans for corrections
   - Hoping to have APP report finalized by end of next week (week of 5/2)
   - APP was put in place one year ago in April
   - APP was sent to UPG Steering Committee for comments/feedback but no reaction
   - Strategic Planning Coordinating Group would like a 4-year summary/updates of LTP from UPG as they move forward
     - Will take information from previous years’ reviews and the dashboard to create comprehensive compilation of progress- To be completed by Fernando, Tony/Lisa, Melissa
     - Appears over 60% of 90+ LTP initiatives have been completed- Want to recognize this work
• One member raised the concern that the perception of many faculty is a lack of understanding of what has been done/accomplished/given up across campus, outside of the academic realm- Glad this LTP report will be put together and communicated so there is an understanding of the big picture
  o It was pointed out that many of the changes that took place during the first year of LTP took place in the Student Affairs area
  o This statement was countered simply saying the perception of faculty was of expansion on the non-academic side but restricted on the academic side
    ▪ Frequent thought but faculty are paid through state funding and tuition which is shrinking while students can tax selves to help with Student Affairs based initiatives
    ▪ Expanded based on how students identify with certain LTP initiatives
    ▪ Certain academic programs may have narrowed their focuses but these programs have also deepened the learning, especially of co-curricular- Hard to catalog, largely unaware, need to connect the dots and figure out how we can tell all the stories
  o Student Affairs LTP initiatives were largely reorganization in nature- Given back 8 GPR positions in the last 6 years
    ▪ Good to know but faculty do not hear these things
  o Meetings planned for the Provost and other administration to meet with first and third year faculty to have conversations and generate ideas- How do we engage, etc so we can be intentional

Meeting end time: 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Melissa Fitzenberger.