



The University of Montana-Helena

COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

College Council
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
October 12, 2010

Present: Daniel Bingham, Brandi Foster, Kevin Brockbank, Kila Shepherd, Russ Fillner, Gary Frankforter, Mike Brown, Steve Lewis, Sarah Dellwo, Suzanne Hunger, Janice Bacino, Wyatt Conard

Called to order: 3:35PM

Strategic Plan (Bingham)

- Need to form a committee – nominations to Daniel
- Mission Review wrapping in next month
- Plan to have preliminary process completed by end of semester, and working on it in earnest by beginning of next semester
- Tie to 2011 Academic plan

Tobacco Free Update (Bingham)

- Comments about nicer looking campus – cleaner
- Student submitted article to IR
- Airport Campus need signage – problem with contractors following policy
- Our students on H.S. campus is a concern – Mike working on map to help with education about where smoking is allowed or not
- Suggestion to build smoking hut at the corner of our property on the berm, where students are smoking now. Concerns regarding costs and message (slippery sloap)

Committee Chair Meeting Update (Bingham)

- Discussed goals – previous and new
- Reiterated importance of transparency. Minutes to be posted and where (on-line for ease of access)

External Review Update (Bingham)

- Great conversations
- Feedback from 3 main civic groups, all are extremely excited about what's going on at UM-H. resulted in two TV spots on NBC about what's going on at UM-H

Internal Review Update (Foster)

- Survey sent out. Intent is to brainstorm ideas/themes. Due this Friday. Controlled way to pull perceptions.
 - Employees and students
 - Participation is important
- Starting process of Program Assessment Reviews. Some sub-groups have already met with at least one program.

Diversity Plan Review (Foster and Hunger)

- Previously had committee – dissolved last year to infuse throughout campus, but did it work?
- How do we want to promote/facilitate discussions?
- Where we were (Handouts)
- What do we carry through and how do we implement? Design new? Pick up where we left off?
- Proposed a diversity goal for every area in the institution
- Need to provide training
- Should it be a mandated part of every class/course?
- Should it be part of the strategic initiative?
 - Could ID themes for activities
 - Already may be part of classes/courses
 - Start with education campaign
- Decided it should be a sub-committee of the Quality of Life Committee to be co-chaired by Steve Lewis and Kila Shepherd with others from outside the QLC
- Discussed definition.
 - Good start by concern that employees and students need a say in its definition to ensure ‘ownership’ rather than simply using definition by another college.
 - Use UO’s definition as a starting point for discussions

Other Items:

Suzanne – Friendship Center presenting info on myths around violence. Particularly important for our student population

Russ and Kevin – Perkins Grant used to ‘purchase’ new Ford Escape Hybrid for Automotive Department. Must be driven regularly to keep batteries charged, so will be licensed and used. UM-H decals will also be going on it.

Kevin – suggested eliminating topics from agenda that are no longer relevant or on-going:

- Tobacco Task Force
- Lincoln School
- Goal setting for council

Adjourned 4:45PM