REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE FACULTY
ALL-UNIVERSITY FACULTY MEETING
MAY 14, 2008

1. GOALS FOR MY TERM AS THE FACULTY CHAIR

A. DEVELOP A STRONGER SENSE OF COMMUNITY AMONG THE FACULTY
   1. VISITED NEARLY EVERY COLLEGE
      • GREAT VARIATION IN GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE/PROCEDURES
      • SEE THEMSELVES AS “UNIQUE”
      • DON’T FEEL THAT FACULTY ARE “HEARD”
      • IDEAS ON HOW TO ENHANCE A FEELING OF COMMUNITY
         1) A “PLACE” FOR FACULTY TO SOCIALIZE—SPACE IN TUC, PUB
         2) EVENTS—USE OF REC FACILITIES FOR MONTHLY “COMPETITIONS”, PICNICS, SOCIAL GATHERINGS
         3) LINKAGE THROUGH INTERNET—“FACEBOOK”
         4) SUPPORT OF COLLEAGUES ACROSS COLLEGES

   2. FACULTY AND STAFF ART SHOW AND AUCTION
      • COULD NOT FIND A SPACE TO HOLD IT THIS YEAR
      • LOOKING FOR FACULTY IN EACH COLLEGE TO BE THE CONTACT PERSON IN EACH COLLEGE AND TO HELP WITH GETTING THEIR FACULTY INVOLVED
      • PROCEEDS TO GO TO HELP FUND THE ENDOWMENT ESTABLISHED FOR THE FACULTY SENATE SERVICE AWARD

B. STRENGTHEN THE VOICE AND IMPACT OF FACULTY INPUT IN DECISION MAKING
   AD HOC COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS AND GOVERNANCE
   HOWARD TOLLEY, ANN WELSH, JOHN CUPPOLETTI, BOB FAABORG, DAVID LEE SMITH, LANTHAN CAMBLIN, LARRY GILLIGAN, LYNN DAVIS, GARY DICK, ANDREA KORNBLUH

   1. BY-LAWS AND GOVERNANCE SUBCOMMITTEE ON COLLEGE GOVERNANCE WORKING ON DEVELOPING A MODEL/TEMPLATE FOR COLLEGE LEVEL FACULTY GOVERNANCE
2. BY-LAWS AND GOVERNANCE SUBCOMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY BY-LAWS REVIEWING AND REVISING THE CURRENT BY-LAWS OF THE FACULTY
   • SEVERAL PROPOSALS TODAY
   • ADDITIONAL PROPOSALS FOR THE OCTOBER MEETING
1. ARTICLE ADDRESSING COLLEGE LEVEL GOVERNANCE

3. FACULTY SENATE WEBSITE
   • MINUTES
   • REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES
   • RESOLUTIONS
   • ALL-UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEES

4. FACULTY SENATE NEWSLETTER
   • COLLEGE REPORTS
   • REPORTS FROM SENATE ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES TO ALL-UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEES

2. INvolVEMENT OF THE FACULTY SENATE IN UNIVERSITY INITIATIVES AND ACTIVITIES
   • COLLEGIATE Restructuring
   • SEMester Con Version
   • VETERAN’S TASK FORCE
   • DARWIN SESQUICENTENNIAL
   • CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE
   • DAY AT THE STATEHOUSE
   • HIGHER LEARNING COMMISSION SITE VISIT
   • PROUDLY CINCINNATI CAMPAIGN
   • PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH
   • JOINT MEETING OF ALL THREE GOVERNANCE GROUPS—FACULTY SENATE, GSGA, AND STUDENT SENATE
RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY THE SENATE THIS YEAR

- ONE UNIVERSITY—CALLED FOR STATEMENT OF VISION, BENCHMARKS, TIMELINES, MONITORING BY ACC, SUBSTANTIAL INVOLVEMENT OF FACULTY

- PERFORMANCE BASED BUDGETING—CALLED FOR ALL DEANS TO HOLD MEETINGS TO DISCUSS MEASUREMENT OF ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE, TO CONTROL AND LIMIT INDIRECT COSTS, TO LIMIT DEBT SERVICE, AND TO DEVELOP MEASURES FOR EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE OF STUDENTS

- FACULTY CO-CHAIR FOR THE CRSC

- 14 WEEK SEMESTERS—INSTEAD OF THE 15 WEEK SEMESTERS PREVIOUSLY PROPOSED

- FACULTY HANDBOOKS—NEW OR REVISED FACULTY HANDBOOKS TO BE REVIEWED BY FACULTY SENATE AND, WHEN APPROVED BY THE SENATE, FORWARDED TO THE PRESIDENT FOR APPROVAL AND PUBLICATION

- COLLEGE BY-LAWS—SUPPORT FOR COLLEGE FACULTY RIGHT TO PROPOSE CHANGES TO OR DEVELOP COLLEGE BY-LAWS, CONDUCT FAIR AND SECRET BALLOT TO APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS, AND HAVE THOSE RECOMMENDATION APPROVED BY THE PROVOST.


- ENDORSED THE ‘STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLE’ PORTION OF THE RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE POLICY

- AFFIRMED OUR COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY AND ENDORSED PACES (PRESIDENT’S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY)

- AFFIRMED OUR SUPPORT OF THE ‘PREVENTION THROUGH INTERVENTION” PROGRAM

- ENDORSED THE CODE OF CONDUCT
• ENDORSED A CLERMONT COLLEGE RESOLUTION REGARDING A TIMELINE FOR FILLING THE POSITION OF DEAN, THE COLLEGE’S ROLE IN ESTABLISHING ITS IDENTITY IN THE UC STRUCTURE, AND FACULTY INVOLVEMENT IN THE SEARCH FOR A NEW DEAN

• ENDORSED A RESOLUTION FROM CAS REGARDING FACULTY PARTICIPATION ON THE CAS/COE AND CAT SUBCOMMITTEES OF THE CRSC AND FACULTY CO-CHAIRS INSTEAD OF VICE-CHAIRS

• PASSED JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON:
  1) COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP POLICIES AND PROCESS FOR PERIODIC REVIEWS OF UPPER LEVEL ADMINISTRATORS
  2) MENTORING OF JR. FACULTY, GRADUATE STUDENTS AND UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS
  3) MAINTAINING THE VALUE OF A DEGREE FROM UC

3. WORK OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS—DANIEL LANGMEYER
• IMPACT OF PERFORMANCE BASED BUDGETING ON ACADEMICS
• TEXTBOOK PRICING—MAKING INFO AVAILABLE IN MORE TIMELY WAY

BUDGET AND PRIORITIES—JIM BALL
• LOOKING AT THE CURRENT PROPOSED BUDGET AND GIVING INPUT

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES—CHALEE ENGELHARD
• PARTICIPATED IN DEVELOPING PROPOSALS FOR REVISING ELECTION PROCEDURES (ALL-UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEES)
• MANY ELECTIONS TO PLACE FACULTY ON THE SEMESTER CONVERSION STEERING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEES, THE RESTRUCTURING COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEES, AND THE PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE AMONG OTHERS

HUMAN RELATIONS—TRACY HERMANN
• FACULTY SERVICE AWARD
• DIVERSITY COUNCIL
• RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE POLICY
• CODE OF CONDUCT
• SUBCOMMITTEE ON MULTI-CULTURAL AFFAIRS

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY—ADRIANNE LANE, BJ ZIRGER
• COPYRIGHT AND FAIR USE POLICIES WITH REGARD TO DISTANCE LEARNING AND WEB VENUES
• THE ROLE OF THE FACULTY SENATE IT COMMITTEE WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY IT STRUCTURE.
• VISIONING FOR IT AND PEDAGOGY AT UC
• THE FUTURE AND FUNDING OF ACADEMIC TECHNOLOGY AT UC.
• BLACKBOARD USABILITY

PLANNING—JEFF TILMAN, MARIE HIPPLE
• SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVE
• 14 WEEK SEMESTERS

RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP—RON MILLARD
• ENHANCING INFRASTRUCTURE
• FACULTY DYNAMICS/RESEARCH PORTFOLIOS

4. THANKS TO FACULTY SENATE CABINET
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JOHN CUPPOLETTI
SECRETARY MARY BOAT
BOT REPRESENTATIVES ANDREA KORNBLUH
MAKRAM SUIDAN
BUDGET AND PRIORITIES DAN OERTHER
JIM BALL
COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES CHALLEE ENGELHARD
FAC. DEVELOPMENT (ad hoc) SUZANNE EHRLICH
HUMAN RELATIONS TRACY HERRMANN
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ADRIANNE LANE
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