

Collegiate Re-structuring Steering Committee (CRSC)
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday March 24th, 2009

- Introduction of Richard Puff from Communications, the newest member of the committee.
- Update re: the subcommittees. They are doing quite well.
 - CAT – Caroline Miller:
 - The CAT subcommittee is actually being charged on 04/02/09.
 - One of the drivers around the CAT issue is Senate bill 311, which relates to the Ohio Core and where we need to be on developmental education by 2014. The core does 2 things
 - It sets an increased level for high school graduation in Ohio with an additional year of Math (with the mandatory inclusion of Algebra II); and
 - It requires a laboratory experience in science in biology.
 - There is also a financial literacy requirement which can either be embedded in social sciences or as a stand-alone course. Students can graduate without the core with permission.
 - Allied Health/Social Work – They are meeting to write a report. There are quite a few issues that need to be worked out. The Social Work faculty has not yet had any discussions on the topic. Geographics is another concern for some people. They will be meeting next week.
 - CAS/CoE – Frank Gerner:
 - Discussions have been underway about which programs belong in the new college. They have come to a resolution on most of the programs – IT, Const Science, Fire Science, MET, ECET, definitely belong in the new college. Only program left to study is Chemical Technology.
 - Paul Philips commented that some felt that Chem Tech did not initially belong in the new college -- was based on ignorance. Since then, they have looked into the curriculum, there is a full 5-year co-op degree, similar to the degrees in Engineering.
 - The Culinary Arts and Sciences is also a 5-year co-op degree with the first 2 years being at Cincinnati State. 3 years at CAS is chemistry and applied chemistry, really solid science, which are taught by the same people and they should not be split.

- Horticulture has one course which is environmental science.
- Math/Physics and Humanities should go to A & S.
- The Culinary program has been a successful in one sense, but not in another. There are about 400 students that are admitted at Cincinnati State. The actual number of students that actually come to CAS to complete the degree is in single digits. Most of the students that enter the culinary program aren't equipped to do the math and science. The real track that looks like it will develop in the hospitality area. Most of the people who get their associate degree as a chef, and want to continue in a baccalaureate program, do so in hospitality. This program generates an enormous amount of publicity for the university.
- Frank said that Valerie charged the subcommittee to look at chemistry and engineering for a more detailed report.
- RWC/CC/Uptown – Larry Johnson:
 - People summarized what does “One University” mean and how do we structure one university and what are the issues surrounding it.
 - We are getting ready to schedule some meetings with other universities who have branch campuses so that we can look at how they organize themselves and what their structure is.
 - There has been discussion about 2 models of leadership with one model being a shared responsibility with the dean and the main campus program and the other model where the person is a dean but more of an operations manager where they are maintaining the physical plant and coordinating all the programs.
 - The academic responsibility is at the main campus.
 - Jim McDonough and Don O’Meara provided Dean Newrock with a list of programs and their disciplines that would be a good fit in the Clifton Campus and Vet Tech and Aviation are the only 2 programs that do not have a department on the main campus.
 - Another item is RPT issues regarding the 2 tracks, i.e., research and teaching tracks.

- Dean Newrock started the discussion regarding the “One University” model, and how to create 2 RPT tracks (research and teaching) and how someone could move back and forth in the tracks. There should be some flexibility between the tracks. This is an issue that is across the university not just colleges. According to the contract, the units define their RPT documents. The committee needs to set up general principles that the departments need to put in these documents going forward. It should be clear that there are 2 tracks.
- Jeff Bauer has been corresponding with business colleagues at Kent State and he stated that they have one RPT document but 2 separate handbooks; one for the main campus departments and one for the regional campus departments. They note that the tenure decision is more weighted towards the regional campus RPT committee, but promotion is more towards the main campus faculty. They did go to a dual track approach.
- Dean Newrock will summarize a policy to discuss at the next meeting

Next meeting will be on Tuesday March 31st , 2009 at 7:30am in Van Wormer, Room 320.