

Discussion Notes of a Meeting of the  
Leadership Council  
Wednesday, October 1, 2003  
Timme Center for Student Services

Call to Order

President David L. Eisler called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

In Attendance

Dan Burcham, Richard Cochran, Rick Duffett, Dave Eisler, Sandra Davison-Wilson, Raymond Gant, Jason Granger, Don Green, Rick Griffin, Judy Issette, Randy Jancek, Matt Klein, Tom Oldfield, Karen Paine, Bill Papo, and Allen Sutherby.

**Approval of 9/3/03 Discussion Notes.** The notes from 9/3/03 were presented and reviewed. The notes were approved as presented.

**Dawg Days.** Dan Burcham provided an update on Dawg Days and extended his appreciation to those involved, and to the clean-up crews for keeping things very clean.

**Entertainment on campus.** Matt Klein reported on the efforts to bring more entertainment to campus. He provided additional information on ticket options for this season, and encouraged everyone's support.

**State Street project.** Rick Duffett reported that the new lighting along State Street is currently being installed and should be completed by October 30.

**Reception for faculty.** Raymond Gant reported that the reception for faculty that instructed summer classes was held last week and was very successful. He reported that they have had good faculty support for this program.

**IT Matters.** - Richard Cochran distributed *IT Matters*. Discussion included the address of firewall and virus issues. Additional discussion included the addressing of unsolicited SPAM messages, and the current testing of the software product called PureMessage. The need for appropriate and timely communication to employees regarding the implementation of the new product was also addressed. A request was made to collect and compile the information on PureMessage so that it could be provided to the Academic Senate at their next meeting. The results of the product testing on PureMessage will be presented to the Leadership Council at their next meeting.

**Bandwith Management and Service Filtering.** Richard Cochran reported that peer to peer applications are now being blocked by the University's bandwidth traffic management software. FSU's Acceptable Use Guidelines were distributed.

**SCT Banner Project.** Discussion included an update on negotiations with SCT. A project director should be named shortly. Additional information technology discussions included the university's new cellular phone vendor, Michigan Wireless (Alltel service) and employee discounts; network upgrades; Technology Assistance Center progress; and the survey of the new Office 2003 product. Graphs representing the University's network performance were distributed and reviewed.

**VPAA Search update.** Don Green reported on the Search Advisory Committee's progress. The electronic version of the ad will be available today. The first ad will be in the Oct. 17 issue of the Chronicle. Members were encouraged to identify potential candidates.

**Lansing update.** President Eisler reported that the economic news coming out of Lansing is not positive, he will continue to keep information flowing to the campus.

**Birkam Health Center update.** Judy Issette provided information on the University's upcoming flu clinic. The dates and times of the clinic will be announced through Lotus Notes when the serum arrives. Mecosta County Medical Center is charging \$5 for their flu shots. Their clinic is scheduled for Oct. 8, 13, and 27 from 6:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. The University will not be carrying the inhalation version of the flu shot. Additional discussion included cost savings for students at the Birkam Pharmacy.

**Planning.** President Eisler introduced discussion of the University's planning process. Discussion included the overall approach to planning; the connection to the unit action planning process; assessments/evaluation of current activities; and a review of the proposed procedures and timetable for moving forward. President Eisler announced that the new co-chair of the University Planning Committee is Dan Burcham.

**Presidential Inauguration.** President Eisler reported that the location for the dessert reception has been changed to the Dome Room at Rankin Center. He invited and encouraged all to attend.

**Student Government update.** Jason Granger reported that the Student Government is considering the reorganization of their positions. They are drafting a white paper for the development of a student union, and are making efforts to raise awareness of the students regarding lobbying efforts.

**Minority Affairs.** Raymond Gant reported that on Oct. 13 he will be traveling with President Eisler to Detroit to meet with a group of Black Alumni and tour a consortium high school.

The Council adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Leadership Council is scheduled for Wednesday, November 5, 2003 at 8:30 a.m. in CSS 302.

Submitted by: Karen K. Paine