

President's Council (PC) Meeting Summary
April 26, 2006
9:00 a.m., CSS 301C

Attendance: Burcham, Cullen for Harris, Davison, Duffett, Eisler, Evans, Green, Postema

Action Item: Summary from the April 19, 2006 meeting was approved for posting.

Presentation Items:

- Future of Food Service Operations - Duffett
Guest: Lori Helmer
Ms. Helmer presented results from a web-based survey, summary of market research, and recommendations for food service operations, including a proposed timeline. The project will move forward for Fall 2006.

Discussion Items:

- Disability Issue - Postema
Guest: Louise Yowitz
Ms. Yowitz presented a revised priority list from the Disability Work Group. Council members approved the projects and discussed other areas of concern. President Eisler will release a report by Friday, April 28, to the campus community and place it online.
- IT Model - Duffett
Guest: John Urbanick
Mr. Urbanick presented an option using a current position for an Applications Manager. This model has been developed as a structure to integrate systems which would continue as a management process for the future.
- Spring Event 2007 - Eisler
President Eisler presented an idea to hold an event each spring for retiring employees and their spouses/families. Council members agreed. A reminder will be sent in January 2007 to start preparations.
- American Council for Education (ACE) - Eisler
President Eisler requested that Council members provide background as to the value Ferris receives from paying dues to the ACE.
- Great Lakes American Indian Institute of Art - Evans
VC Evans provided an update on the Great Lakes American Indian Institute of Art project in Grand Rapids. He will attend a meeting and keep Council informed.
- Planning/Task Forces - Eisler
President Eisler will be meeting individually with Council members in May regarding planning; then will meet as a group in June for further discussions.
- Roundtable discussions included updates on Kendall, partnerships, student leadership training, enrollment, bus tour, and the April 29 donor dinner.

Approved 5/9/06

- Next meeting date: Wed., May 9, PC 3:00-5:00pm, in Grand Rapids

Adjourned at 10:50a.m.

Submitted by Elaine R. Kamptner