

Learning Council Minutes

October 22, 2010, 1:00 to 2:45 in the Boardroom

Present from Learning Council: Ken Murdoff, Bob Baldwin, Phil Martinez, Roma Cusimano, Dennis Gilbert, Nathaniel Robinson (Student), Matthew Smith (Student), Dawn DeWolf, and Sonya Christian

Absent: Don McNair, Lida Herburger, Helen Garrett, and Mary Brau

Guests: Jim Salt, Craig Taylor, Barbara Breden

Unfilled Positions: 2 Faculty

Item	Notes
Review & Approval of Oct. 8 th Meeting Minutes	Approved as submitted.
Council Picture	Postponed to the next meeting.
Check-In	Christian: Technology Conference on Oct. 29 th . Dept/Div sending teams. Learning Council members may or may not be part of a team but all are invited to the 8:30-10 a.m. plenary session. Baldwin: Sitting in for Herburger as the Chair of the Council for this meeting.
Assessment Update	Barbara Breden, chair of the Assessment Team, presented on behalf of the Assessment Team. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One of the Assessment Team's charges is to present their Work Plan to the Learning Council. That plan is not yet complete but will be forthcoming and they will bring it to the council when complete. Reviewed the Assessment Team's Recommendations from 2009/10. (See Attached Document) Talked about some of the ongoing work that the Assessment Team will be doing in the coming year Members can refer to the assessment web page on the IRAP web site.
Discussion Items	Completion Agenda: Federal Direction, Funding, etc.: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Community College completion rates Dept of Ed increasing the focus on completion Private Foundations adding completion and progression <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gates calls it "completion by design" Breaking Through Grant in the next month or so by Gates Foundation Next Generation Learning Challenge. Lane will be putting in pre-proposals State of Oregon response <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A degree is not the only measure of completion. We maintain that progression should be included in completion by looking at 'Momentum Points' (completion of credit hours, getting a certificate, etc.) which reflect progression to completion. This will include the need to be strategic in how we bring

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	<p>forward our vision and influence the broader discussions. The work on completion will continue and the Learning Council is an appropriate venue for this discussion.</p> <p>6. January 21st conference is on progression and completion</p>
Work Plan	<p>Learning Directions Effectiveness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liberal Education • Basic Skills • Progression and Completion • Online Learning and Educational Resources <p>New instructional initiatives</p> <p>Updating Charter for currency of language and alignment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accreditation Issues • Currency in titles etc <p>Who do we want to hear from?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master planning taskforce • Bond Leadership Team • Accreditation and core themes • Pathways • Assessment • Information Literacy • Completion <p>Policy Review</p> <p>FT Faculty: PT Faculty The discussions included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This is a bargaining issue and therefore, inappropriate for the Learning Council - The ratio of FT:PT faculty directly effects the quality of the learning environment and, therefore, should be studied by the Learning Council.
Next Meeting	November 12, 2010, 1:00-2:45 p.m. in the Boardroom