

Minutes
Valdosta State University
Institutional Planning Committee

Date: March 30, 2009			
Location: Room 2050 Dean's Conference Room, Dewar College of Education			
Members Present: Vesta Whisler (Chair), Arlene Haddon (Recording Secretary), David Bechler, Mark George, Charles Backes, Mike Holland, Fred Ware, Danielle Harmon, Michael Schmidt, Emily Rogers, Kristina Cragg, Kurt Keppler, Tracy Martin			
Members Excused: Verna Harvey (COSA)			
Agenda Topic	Discussion	Decision	Responsibility
1.0 Call to Order 1:00 pm			Vesta Whisler, Chair
2.0 Old Business			
2.1 Approval of Minutes	Minutes of March 2, 2008 reviewed.	Acceptance of minutes: 1 st Michael Schmidt 2 nd Danielle Harmon Moved unanimously.	Committee
2.2 Status of SGA and COSA members	IPC is a statutory committee of the Faculty Senate with membership identified in the statutes. Change in membership would require a change of statutes. Meetings open to anybody who has an interest in attending thus no need to expand membership to specifically identify SGA or COSA members.	Motion to repeal motion of March 2, 2009 to expand membership. 1 st Fred Ware 2 nd Charles Backes Moved unanimously.	Committee
2.3 Parking	There are reserved spots for visitors to obtain visitor parking permits. Parking website needs to be updated. Continued problems with students parking in VSU service spots, faculty spots, and handicapped spots. On weekends, students living in residence halls use reserved spots to	Information item. Tracy will communicate this suggestion Form a subcommittee and conduct a poll to circulate to faculty; collate information and submit to Tracy Martin for consideration. Danielle Harmon, Emily Rogers & Mark George volunteered to	Michael Schmidt Tracy Martin Committee

	<p>enable them to get closer when faculty not on campus. Tracy reports that parking policy is being enforced. Faculty can park in a VSU service spot on weekends without fear of ticketing.</p>	<p>serve on a subcommittee. Develop survey questionnaire and circulate to IPC for comments before surveying faculty in mid-September 2009.</p>	
2.4 Grad Assistant Pay	<p>David Bechler provided information on Graduate Assistantships using examples from VSU and other universities.</p> <p>Graduate Assistants at VSU are funded by individual academic departments, no longer through Graduate Studies. Hourly wage is \$8.50 / hour plus tuition. For out-of-state students, this amounts to 4x in-state tuition.</p> <p>The desire is to provide a GA stipend that is lucrative enough to attract strong candidates to VSU and to provide opportunities for students to be involved in experiences beyond the classroom.</p>	<p>Invite Teresa Williams to a meeting of IPC to provide additional information.</p> <p>David Bechler's term on IPC ends with this committee, and he has agreed to continue to be involved in this initiative on an ad hoc basis. Members of subcommittee to review GA pay: Mark George, Vesta Whisler & David Bechler.</p> <p>Report to Executive Secretary of Faculty Senate and ask that it be remanded back to IPC for further study and recommendations.</p>	<p>Vesta Whisler, Chair</p> <p>Committee</p> <p>Vesta Whisler, Chair</p>
3.0 New Business			
3.1 Budget Advisory Committee	<p>IPC has been asked by Faculty Senate to develop a policy to select two (2) faculty members, one from IPC, to represent faculty on the Budget Advisory Committee. Report approved by Faculty Senate, with a</p>	<p>Information</p>	<p>Vesta Whisler, Chair</p>

	<p>modification to form a nominating committee to identify members from the general faculty, for election by the general faculty in an electronic vote.</p> <p>Need to appoint a member from IPC as a representative on Budget Advisory. Difficult to select a representative until after new senators and committee members are elected / appointed.</p>	Table decision until after Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate meets.	Vesta Whisler, Chair
4.0 Next meeting	Fall 2009; date to be circulated by incoming chair, Danielle Harmon.		Danielle Harmon
5.0 Adjourned 2:05pm			Committee
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