

DIRECT REPORTS

4/22/09

Next meeting is scheduled for May 6, 2009.

Items discussed:

- Enrollment for summer up 3% in head count and up 12% in credit hours. Prison registrations are not in yet which is 77 students.
- Sue had a successful evening at the Valparaiso High School school board meeting where 22 courses were approved for concurrent enrollment. This does not include business courses. Congratulations to Sue!
- Larry reminded the committee that EM&SS is doing a good job and our students are ahead of other colleges.
- He encouraged each of us to get out into the circuit to conduct presentations. Do more “bragging” on our specialties/departments.
- Carol is checking on a program used by University of Evansville to follow up with students who are not attending classes. Monitoring students goes along with our caring image and is good for retention.
- There are 409 perspective graduates for Spring 2009 which is the largest group ever. This does not include Fall 08 or Summer 09.
- After meeting with Steve Turner, Larry spoke to the staff in S40 advising them that renovating S40 is on the schedule for Summer 2010.
- Larry is working on continuing to improve PNC’s assistance to veterans and dislocated workers,

Media Services:

- Two rooms in the library have been reallocated with Judy Serwatka using one as an office. Library now only has two rooms – KR’s office and the children’s literature room.
- The library continues to be busy with students choosing the library for alternative studying. Laptops, computers, and work tables are among the reasons for increased traffic.

PNC-PC:

- Summer schedule for PPC has 16 undergrad and six grad classes (total of 139 seats). A couple classes will be recommended to cancel due to low enrollment. Of the 16, eight have less than five students registered.
- Carol sent a copy of the summer schedule to advisors.
- PNC will be using part of the former VNA/Ivy Tech building. Space will be used for a lecture room which will accommodate 40 people, and a wet lab for chemistry and biology.
- Carol would like GS 191 (FYE) taught at PPC.

Financial Aid:

- Bryant is working on summer aid calculations which are due 5/1.
- Bryant received an email from the Department of Education regarding off campus/community obligation work studies for next year. PNC can apply for waiver so we don't have to meet 8% which is the level set by the federal government. Currently we are at 13%. Larry wants to keep it and not use waiver.
- Actual allocation for next year has gone up. SEOG money has gone up for next year. Possibly \$150,000 for next year compared to \$117,000.
- Simulation for fall award letters will be run tomorrow and everything should be ready to go by the middle of next week. Students should be able to see their information on SSB. State grant money will have 40% decreases from last year.
- Larry would like to do something special next year for 21st Century students. Tony reported that Erin Zak is coordinating this event.

Enrollment Services:

- A new record was set for attendees at the campus open house last week with 183 people, 86 students attending.
- Apps are up 142 from last year which is a 10% increase.
- 182 new students to PNC are currently registered.
- Kristin Henschel will join the Enrollment Services staff next week.
- Enrollment Services will be running a phone-a-thon to contact 1100 students who have been admitted students for Fall 2009 to see if they have any questions.

Student Services:

- Honors Convocation will be held this Friday evening from 5:30 – 7:00.
- John Weber is interviewing for grad assistants.
- Baseball team is 15-3 in conference play.
- Softball team is 22-20.
- Sports banquet will be held this Sunday evening at Blue Chip Casino. 230 reservations have been received. Six people including Chancellor Dworkin and Mr. Back will be inducted in the hall of fame.
- The athletic department continues looking for potential athletic facilities with the Michigan City Armory, LaPorte Civic Auditorium, and IUSB being considered.
- There will be over 60 graduates in the prison program.
- New Student Government officers are President Aleah Turner, Vice President Jacob Havner, Treasurer David Myers, Secretary Nick Mucha. Representatives are Lyndsie Daikhi, Emily Turner, Kayla Mrozinske, Karissa Inglis, Sean Casey, Taylor Coleman.
- College bound is expanding to include 50 from Portage schools. This will bring the program up to almost 500 students.

Upcoming events:

- 5/7 Annual Faculty/Staff Recognition Luncheon – 11:30 am – 1:30 pm Cafeteria
- 5/18 Commencement @ VU ARC – 7:00 pm
- 5/20 WCF Commencement – 1:00 pm
- 5/25 Memorial Day Holiday – campus closed
- 7/3 4th of July Holiday observed – campus closed
- 7/22 Express Enrollment – 9:30 am – 6:00 pm
- 8/17 Welcome Back Convocation – 7:30 am – Cafeteria
- 8/18 Fall Semester Kick Off Breakfast – 7:30 am
- 8/18 Sunrise to Sunset Registration – 7:00 am – 7:00 pm
- 8/24 Fall semester begins
- 9/7 Labor Day Holiday – campus closed
- 11/26 & 27 Thanksgiving Holiday – campus closed
- 12/24 & 25 Christmas Holiday – campus closed
- 12/31 & 1/1 New Year's Holiday & President's Designated Holiday – campus closed