

Institutional Strategic Planning Committee

Friday, January 27, 2006

2:30-5:00p.m.

Denison Conference Room (HP 2220)

Present: Thomas Storch (co chair), Catherine Riordan (co chair), Bill Dailey, Gary Dunbar, Carol Haas, Jim Hageman, Monica Holmes, Judy Lannen, Marvis Lary, Roger Rehm, George Ross, Brad Swartz and Marcy Taylor.

Absent: Nancy French, Mike Leto and Steve Poe.

I. Committee Reports

Each committee chair filled out their section of a large CMU 2010 Initiative Progress table. The table is available at <http://www.planning.cmich.edu/Documents/Year1InitiativesTable.pdf>.

II. Funding Recommendations – Year One Initiatives (Handouts)

A. Teaching & Learning Priority – Marcy Taylor

1. Strategy 3, Initiative 3 (Gen Ed Conference)

- This proposal (for \$7,840) would send a five member team to a conference in Washington DC in June. This conference would be an intensive workshop concerning General Education and many teams from other institutions have returned from it with a plan for their Gen Ed program
- Committee agreed to conditions that a presentation must be made to the Academic Senate after this conference, that specific recommendations must be made and that the steering committee is committed to implementing the changes.
- VOTE: 11 Yes 1 No 0 Abstain

2. Strategy 4, Initiative 1 (Evaluation of 9 First Year Courses)

- This proposal (for \$844) would pay someone to rate nine first year courses. These courses are not a program and they are not related. The courses were chosen because they contribute to overall academic success.
- VOTE: 10 Yes 2 No 0 Abstain

3. Strategy 5, Initiative 1 (Financial Aid Consultant)

- This proposal (for \$50,000) would hire Noel Levitz to analyze CMU's financial aid system. It has been eight years since this has been done. This evaluation would help redistribute funds and would help when lobbying for additional funding. The committee stressed that Noel Levitz should look at the system and keep in mind that there will probably not be any more funding available.
- VOTE: 8 Yes 3 No 1 Abstain

B. Diversity & Global Perspectives Priority – Bill Dailey

1. Strategy 2, Initiative 1 (History Curriculum Planning)

- This proposal (for \$22,003) would pay for a joint planning conference with faculty from CMU and institutions from Scotland, the Netherlands, Germany and Puerto Rico. The committee was concerned that this project would have a small impact on CMU.
- Committee agreed to the condition that some type of public forum with invitations be held while visitors are on campus in May.
- VOTE: 9 Yes 0 No 3 Abstain

C. Research & Creative Activity – Jim Hageman & Gary Dunbar

1. *Strategy 4, Initiatives 1 & 2 (Undergraduate Research)*

- This proposal (for \$68,200 per year for three years) would increase the number of summer scholar awards, increase the funding for the undergraduate research and presentation with publication programs, and would increase the funding for the graduate research and presentation and publication programs
- VOTE: 12 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain

III. RFP

Riordan reviewed the RFP materials that are now available on the planning site. Presentations concerning this RFP will be made at DAC, COD and COC meetings. A *CMU 2010* progress report as well as the RFP announcement will be made through the CMUFS listserv as well as the CMUTODAY listserv. Short reminders will go out periodically through these same listservs.