



Business and Technology Department Meeting Minutes

Date: October 14, 2011

In Attendance:

James Babcock, Kenneth Bryant, Leroy Bugger, Alisa Callahan, Robert Chilmonik, Albert Dambrose, Lisa Dick, Martin Dubetz, Kelly Eakins, Michael Engdahl, Charles Hidalgo, Jane Hurst, Stephanie McCartney-King, Mary Myers, Douglas Nay, Sandi Towers, Bill VanGlabek, Scott VanSelow, Jim Wilkison, Gary Rodgers, Amber McCown, Ted Farah

In Attendance Via Video: Mike Hayden, Michelle Fanslau, Philip Coale, Tom Rath

Meeting convened at 1:00 pm.

Dr. Nay opened the meeting by talking about our Mission Statement. We read the Mission Statement together and he stated that there are three things that everyone should know for SACS:

1. Mission Statement
2. QEP Elevator Speech
3. Have Portfolio Available

He asked where we are in the Mission Statement regarding:

Inspire Learning A
Prepare Diverse Population for Participation in Global Society A
Serve as a Leader for Cultural Awareness in Community C

He also asked what does FGCU have that we do not:

- Small Business Development
- Sports Program
- Series of Speakers for Business Commercial Service

Dean Mary Myers spoke about how tough the last three months have been and that she really appreciated everyone and that we need to keep on doing what we're doing – teach and learn.

She stated that when SACS visits us, they will have a list of faculty to interview, a list of students from different disciplines to interview and that there will be round table discussions and group faculty questions. The day before they come to the Lee campus, they will have already visited the Charlotte and Collier campuses. They will go to HR to look at faculty FQF's, take a tour of the campus, and talk to administrators. We will get a list

of questions together that will be asked. You need to articulate your program and what you teach. Mary stated that everyone has a position, belief, thought and opinion on what is happening right now and we need to be true to ourselves and to the mission of the college. Lisa was acknowledged for her hard work in scheduling the spring classes but they will not be finished until next week. Instructors were told they needed to respond and confirm their classes with her asap. Mary mentioned that instructors need to pay attention especially to the semesters of the online classes they are teaching (either Mini A or Mini B).

Dr. Nay mentioned that we are considering changing to the Educational Testing Series when students are graduating.

Critical Thinking

Program goals are more specific in coming year. Growth in enrollment in program and intent.

General Education – Establish goals in every department. Choose Critical Thinking.

Dr. Nay asked “What is goal in department in Critical Thinking?”

1. Teach Self-Reliance (Sandy Towers)
2. Ability to critically review on thinking process (Leroy Bugger)
3. Case Studies – Learn theories about different topics (Alisa Callahan)

He said to introduce transferability about Critical Thinking so you can have Critical Thinking department metric and we needed to look into courses and see if everyone is on the same page.

Mary mentioned CANDICE, a new learning management system, where you can attach the rubric to any assignment you give.

4. Computer Course Assessments – everyone has same (Scott VanSelow)
5. Asking questions why we do things and then have new decision why we do something (Albert Dambrose)

Dr. Nay said that the Credentialing Manual is available for anyone.

Also he mentioned about the Sigma Beta Delta, the honor society for the Baccalaureate program, that there were 5 students inducted in the spring and 10 have been invited in the fall. The requirements are the top 20% of the program are eligible.

New Business

Jim Babcock wanted to know how you find out what you are credentialed to teach. Andrea Posner said they are working on the FQF's and they are in various stages at this point. She said they are sorting out and have 30% of instructors completed now.

Dr. Amy Teprovich, Chair of the QEP Marketing Committee and Director of Student Life, spoke on the student housing project. She said that the apartments would be completed by next August and ready for occupancy. They will accommodate 400 beds to start with for full-time students only and the master plan is to have 1200 beds. She mentioned that there are 30 student organizations and clubs on campus.

Dr. Nay asked for anything for the Good of the Order with none given.

The next department meeting will be December 9. The second Friday in November is Veteran's Day and the school is closed.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm