



Campus Assembly November 7, 2006

DeAnna Timmermann, Assembly Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:17pm in Huber Auditorium

Review of the Minutes:

The meeting minutes from the October 10, 2006 Campus Assembly were approved as posted to the Assembly webpage: www.eou.edu/assembly.

President's Update:

President Fatemi announced the following enrollment information:

- Overall enrollment is down 3.1%
 - FTE is down 3.8% (some of these numbers are duplicated because students going to EOU and taking DDE classes are counted twice.)
 - LaGrande student enrollment is down 3.1%
 - Extended residential students are down 15%
 - DDE is up 3.9%
 - 12 county region is up 2.9%, which is good news, but Oregon is down .7%
- There was a 108 student drop of which 60% came from the following:
 - 18.3% from California, 11.2% from Idaho and 3.7% from Washington

He said that it is too early to say why these changes took place but EOU does not have the lowest OUS school drop across the board. He will know more from the December board meeting. The impact of this drop on the budget "at this point", means that we will not have to make any cuts but we should be concerned about the 07-09 budgets.

President Fatemi discussed how the election could have a negative impact if measures 41 and 48 are passed and possible implications. The budget proposed by the OUS Board to the Governor is up across the board and, although EOU might not get all monies asked for, the proposal has remained intact thus far. The Governor has said that if re-elected he would support the budget which will be submitted to the legislature December 1, 2006. President Fatemi will be meeting with various legislators to try to convince them not to cut our share.

Provost Update:

Governance Committee Update:

This committee met a few weeks ago and will be meeting again this Thursday regarding their proposal. The next phase of the program is for the committee, which is made up of representatives from each of the constituencies of the Assembly, to present the draft proposal to various constituencies for discussion and feedback, with the goal of coming back to Assembly and discussing the proposal.

Continuing Gen Ed Update

Some things are happening in our state which impinge and put parameters around what we can do in terms of General Education; therefore, we will be having some discussions regarding this around campus. Senate bill 342 affects everything we do on campus including: how we recruit, how people transfer and articulate, how people move through our system, what our gen ed is all about, etc. Our current governor is emphasizing the Unified Educational Enterprise (UEE), formally the Education Delivery and Productivity Committee (EDP.) The current Governor, Board of Higher Ed and the Board of Ed want everyone to work together from Pre-K through University graduation. The President will be asked where we stand on various aspects of this bill. The Oregon Transfer Module (OTM) is one aspect that will affect our gen ed because the state is working towards a unified system. We have to facilitate transfer and articulation for our students.

The Provost mentioned an automated degree audit system called ATLAS that could help us with our degree planning as well as transfer articulations. This system would network systems between all

community colleges in Oregon, OUS Universities and probably some private Universities. EOU never got started on this program, but DDE has put together a similar “home-grown” version called CAT. This week EOU started working with OUS to adopt this system. This will help us in bookkeeping and facilitating some of the transfers.

Accreditation

In 2008 there will be a visit by the accreditation team. This will involve EOU reviewing the Strategic Plan from 1999. Everybody will need to look back at what we said we were going to do and what we are doing now. The Provost will be talking with folks as to how the process will get started. We will need to commit to some things for the next 3 years.

The Provost discussed the Saturday, November 4, 2006 Oregonian report about our Performance Indicators. There are over a dozen of these for each University in the OUS system. Benchmarks have been monitored over the last six years. The Provost will send information to the campus as to how all of the schools have done. He mentioned that in several categories EOU had greater percentages than other OUS schools.

Action Items

None submitted

Information Items

- A. **Proposed Constitutional Amendment Quorum** – DeAnna Timmermann brought up an item relating to discussion about quorum at the last Assembly. From the discussion it seemed that people would support either reducing the number of Assembly members necessary for quorum or eliminating the number altogether. A proposal to change the current Assembly Constitution document from “a quorum be no less than one half of Assembly members” to “a quorum shall be not less than sixty (60) Assembly members” was presented.
Action: This will require presenting proposed constitutional changes as an information item at one Assembly before it can be opened up to a three day vote online after the next Assembly.
- B. **Update Faculty/Staff Handbook** – DeAnna Timmermann said this is in the process of being reviewed. The Faculty/Staff Handbook is out dated and there are a number of people working on this. There is a lot of language in the Faculty/Staff handbook that is probably Contract language. She would like some kind of central control of the handbook. DeAnna notified the Assembly to look forward to proposed changes.
- C. **Updated Committee Members** – DeAnna Timmermann presented the following updates:
 - a. Carolyn Bloyed was elected to the Academic Support Committee to replace Leslie Smith.
 - b. Ellen Krieger was appointed to the Financial Aid Committee to replace LeeAnn Case.

Committee membership changes were ratified by the Assembly

- c. **Ad Hoc Committee** – Sexual Harassment and Consensual Relationship Review Committee membership was announced. The committee consists of: Marilyn Ewing, Chair, Irene Jerome, Marianne Weaver, Stephen Jenkins, John Rinehart, Dawn Schiller-Bristol and a student representative to be determined.

At this time all Assembly Committee student positions are filled and committee webpage is updated.

- D. **Budget and Planning Committee** – Steve Clements presented a Power Point Presentation on committee changes, meeting times, the committee’s proactive stance on budget planning. This committee will be doing regular presentations to Assembly on issues arising in Committee meetings. He presented the current issues of the Committee and spoke about temporary savings, savings arising from unfilled positions and the hiring freeze which amount

to approximately \$500,000 annually, and to-date, approximately \$700,000. He discussed the Committee's concerns with temporary savings.

- E. **Strategic Planning in Athletics** – Jeff Dense and Rob Cashell presented an update on Strategic Planning in Athletics. Rob Cashell made opening statements and then Jeff Dense spoke about the following lessons they learned from the strategic planning process in athletics:
- a. Inclusiveness – utilized focus groups
 - b. Mission driven
 - c. Education is the focus

Jeff then read the Mission and Vision Statements that had been created and talked about the Strategic Priorities and Measurable Objectives. He encouraged Assembly members to think about these lessons. Rob stated the information is available on the Athletic website and wanted people to know that coaches take student academics very seriously.

Five Minute Access

- A. **Women's Resource & Research Center** – Jeff Johnson, faculty advisor, spoke on behalf of the students from the Women's Resource & Research Center. He presented an abstract from a summer conference session that had been written by a colleague. He then read a document and shared his personal reactions in order to seek some reconciliation between the individuals involved. After his concluding remarks, the Chair allowed for responses. Comments were made about the appropriateness of the Assembly for this type of presentation.
- B. **Accreditation Webpage** – Sarah Witte invited campus to review the accreditation website located at www.eou.edu/accredit. She said it was a good resource for campus. DeAnna Timmermann added that other links on campus should have been broken by the Webmaster so that this site is the only one for accreditation information.
- C. **Diversity Committee** – Lee Ann McNerney and Jessica Plattner presented Diversity Committee goals. There will be updated mission and objectives ready to present for approval at later Assembly meeting. They also spoke about campus climate assessment, curriculum development training, and broader training. Jessica requested feedback from the campus community about the committee.

For the Good of the Order

- A. Colleen Johnson mentioned that there will be an Arts & Sciences Colloquium presented by Marie Balaban on Thursday, November 9, 2006 in Ackerman 210 at 3:30 p.m.

There being no further business before the Assembly, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jana Parmele
Assembly Secretary