

## Meet & Confer

### Deputy Hall

January 18, 2012

D.Webb, T.Fauchald, J.Ueland, K.Marek, T.Gilbertson, D.Narum, D.Peterson, W.Maki, R.Griggs, R.Hanson, M.Ward, L. Gilsrud.

1. Any faculty under investigation-R.Griggs –yes.
  2. FYE- M. Ward confirmed that as of this spring all instructors are IFO.
  3. Provost Search-Randy Westoff self-nominated.
  4. College of Arts & Science Interim Dean Search-T.Gilbertson asked what the plans are. R.Hanson -There will be an interim search – not sure of the size of the committee. R.Hanson will request recommendation from committee and make the appointment. T.Gilbertson will send out the calls for participation.
  5. School of Nursing-Will is discussed in Administrative Items. T.Gilbertson- questions from faculty that the nursing is a model for other potential collaborations. R.Hanson doesn't really see that – doesn't feel other programs have the same structure as nursing.
  6. Spring Schedule (start date)-T.Gilbertson –issue for some academic programs that have outdoor activities that are problematic for weather issues with the early start. R. Hanson will look into it and see if there are options. Discussion followed as to concerns. R.Hanson feels the educational environment should support the programs but not sure if we'd get chancellor ok. R.Griggs raised possibility of taking it to the calendar committee.
  7. Other- T.Gilbertson other questions –1. Northern Alliance? R.Hanson will discuss in Administrative items. 2. Enrollment? M.Ward – we are down 4% in credits last spring to this spring. Head count loss seems to be in the off campus learning (we've flattened out). TF question-mentioned drop in many campuses. R.Hanson, since online has flattened out we will look into reasons and strategies. R.Hanson retention is also down.
- R.Griggs had a question about faculty call for serving on committees. T.Gilbertson will forward a list to Bob tomorrow.

### Administrative items

1. BSU Facilities master plan-W.Maki- in the process of updating the facilities master plan. About at the 50% phase and at that point will get info to Troy to get faculty feedback. Will have more info for the next M&C Feb. 8. We were included in 2 potential projects of ½ million each and are in line for some repair money.

2. School of Nursing- R.Griggs, Collaboration between BSU & NCTC nursing programs. Jeanine Gangeness is founding Dean. Collaboration is moving forward with more information at a later date this spring. It was stated that the nursing department will need to elect a new Chair. D.Peterson asked how many tenured nursing faculty? Raised concerns about adding difficult requirements to faculty who were not yet tenured and the potential need to take that into account in the evaluation process. L. Gilsrud stated that there is one tenured faculty in nursing.
3. Wait listing- feedback, extensions to the list of departments participating. R.Griggs, wanted to update that four departments piloted the program and it is going well with a few glitches, but those are being worked on. Michelle Frenzell.
4. Courses schedule-posting more than one term in advance- Michelle F. would like to expand a scheduling pilot program to other departments since it worked well. She will be looking for interested departments. T.Fauchald stated some programs have been asked to consider that.
5. Classroom renovation-request for proposal-R.Griggs wants to put out a call to faculty for renovations. J.Ueland asked when this would be rolled out. R.Griggs would like to put it out in February for project decisions in March to hopefully be done this summer.
6. Admission deadline policy-M.Ward handed out a proposal for new student admissions deadline that would be five business days prior to the start of each term. T.Gilbertson supports this and suggested possibly even further out. Feels the students would be served. M.Ward stated they are asking for input and support. Too close of an admission deadline creates a retention problem. Requested to Troy to take to Senate and get feedback-is willing to consider a further out admission deadline. T.Gilbertson asked if competitive admissions are on our horizon. M.Ward not aware, but R.Hanson stated that it is a future consideration. Nielson STEM scholarship is an example.
7. Chancellor's initiatives –R.Griggs/R.Hanson passed out a recent press release. System office will provide something to all campuses on or before Jan. 20 for faculty forum dates in the spring. R.Griggs will work with BSU faculty for available dates. T.Fauchald stated that one concern is not to process but the possible shift that is coming.
8. Northern Alliance-R.Hanson, Northern Alliance is a loose configuration of several northern schools. Want university presence on the two year campuses and wants to promote mentoring and transferring. Hoping to create a system that prevents dropping out at the 2yr. level. Another objective is the 2+2+2 going into the high schools helping to better prepare high school students for college. N.A. is about collaboration and partnership without sacrificing who we are. Is looking for grant support to assist this. Lots of work to still be done. T.Fauchald asked if this is similar to the Arrowhead idea.

R.Hanson circumstances are different but principles are the same. T.Fauchald is there any tie in to Distance Minnesota? R.Hanson, yes there will be.

9. Departmental redefinition-Geography/Political Science request-R.Griggs-referred to Dec. M&C the request from these departments for redefinition. Asked if there is any formal response from BSUFA. T.Gilbertson asked about timeline. R.Griggs, March deadline for contractual. K.Marek stated March will be the deadline. T.Gilbertson asked how the nursing collaboration will affect rosters. T.Fauchald they are different bargaining units. D.Peterson – any other ideas for other departments. R.Griggs, this was brought by the department, administration has no plans/intentions for changes. J.Ueland asked if CAS dean will be a one year interim. R.Hanson, yes.
10. Other-R.Griggs provided the response to the informational request for other faculty searches.