

Meet and Confer Minutes

August 24, 2012

Present: Brown, Frost, Murray, Peterson and Hanson, Griggs, Maki, Tadlock, Ward, Gilsrud

Introductions were made by Brown.

President Hanson distributed three documents relevant to the new University Planning Council. The UPC will have two chairs, one administrator and one faculty. Sixty percent of the members are target to be faculty. Diversity of membership is goal for the President. He wants it to be both high tech and high touch. Its results should be timely, transparent, and relevant.

The President reviewed the Structure, Tasks, and Tenets of the UPC (page 1). Next he discussed the flowchart (page 2) and then page (3) outlining the existing BSU vision, mission and objectives statements. He suggested five foci for the UPC: Community Relations, Communication and Critical Thinking Skills, Support for the Liberal Arts, Student Persistence and Student Success.

The UPC is to meet 3 or 4 times per semester for a total of 8-10 hours. The colleges and departments will have input during the October Service Day activities. The UPC should be appointed by mid-September. Re-assign time for the faculty chair is possible.

The three page handout will be provided electronically to the BSUFA for distribution to the faculty.

Executive Committee members discussed methods for UPC appointment after the M & C ended. Two models were mentioned: a Senate-style membership by dept/college model and appointment of entire committees (BSUFA Lib Ed committee, plus Academic Affairs and Curriculum).