

MSC Governance Council Meeting Minutes

September 18, 2003

The MSC Governance Council held its first meeting of AY 2003/2004 at noon on Thursday, September 18, 2003, in FSM 105.

C The following members were in attendance:

C Jeanne Borega (A)
C Sandy Gravley (P)
C Erik Hirschmann (F)
C Dan Mielke (F) (Chair)
C Pete Praetorius (F)
C Pat Smith (C)

Dr. Dauphinais was invited to attend the meeting to discuss the role of the Governance Council. He was unable to attend, so the group discussed the issues and agreed to present them to Paul when he became available.

The Council addressed two issues:

1. Role of the Council. After discussing the function of the Council under Dr. Dauphinais' leadership, it was unanimously agreed that the primary role is to discuss current issues, come to a consensus, and make recommendation to the director in an advisory role only. Normally, the director would bring issues to the council for discussion, however it was agreed that the committee members will bring to the Council any issues or concerns they become aware of around campus. After addressing any issues brought by a member, the Council will advise the Director and make recommendation if appropriate.
2. Meeting schedule. The Council discussed the meeting schedule for the year, and agreed that a regularly scheduled meeting is not necessary, but that the council will meet as issues arise. It was agreed that the College Director or any member of the Council will contact the Chair to schedule a meeting as issues arise.

At 12:40, the meeting was adjourned.

After the meeting, some of the Council Members had an informal meeting with Dr. Dauphinais and informed him of the Council's discussions. Dr. Dauphinais agreed with everything. He also stated that there are two main issues he wants the Council to address this year:

- Assessment. Paul indicated that while good progress was being made in assessment, there is still some issues that need to be resolved, which would involve Governance.
- Class Scheduling. The main issue facing the college at this time is the lack of classroom space and scheduling. Scheduling will need to be coordinated at a campus level, not just at the department level as has been the practice in the past.

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