P & D Meeting Minutes
April 22, 2013


The agenda for the meeting was as follows:
1. Approval of March, 2013 minutes:
2. FACP Funding Initiative:
3. Election of Chair:
4. Other Business/P&D Responsibilities:

AGENDA ITEM #1-Approval of the Minutes:
Dr. PC. Tai called the meeting to order at 1:04 PM. The motion was made and so moved to accept the March 2013 meeting minutes without any changes.

AGENDA ITEM #2- FACP Funding Initiative: Provost asked for input on how to distribute surplus FACP funds from university committees. Volkan Topalli suggested that in regards to GSU Strategic Plan Goal 5 for International Initiative, the university purchase a condo or small house to accommodate visiting scholars; in lieu of spending funds on long-term, costly hotel stays. This would be an one-time payment. His second suggestion was to provide new funds for Office of International Initiatives for their increased activities such as expenses for invited speakers in the International Education Week and increasing visitors, and the funds for activities for Task Forces of 5 targeted countries. Dan Deocampo suggested that we systematically look at staff workloads to assist with determining how to distribute surplus funds on an individual basis. There was discussion among the group regarding the best way to distribute the funds to include: faculty- staff morale, and graduate students in a fair and precise manner. The consensus is for P & D to recommend funding for OII for International Initiative, graduate student support, faculty-staff morale, and classroom support. Tai asked Volkan to provide some write up for supporting OII for the International Initiative to be forwarded to the Provost.

AGENDA ITEM #3-Election of Chair: Tai welcomed new committee members and announced that he is stepping down as chair for 2013-2014. He also thanked Tracy Crayton for many years of service to the Committee. The floor was opened for nominations for the now vacant Planning and Development Committee Chair position. Andrew Sumner nominated George Rainbolt, the motion was seconded by David Caudill. George Rainbolt will be the new Chair of the Planning and Development Committee, for 2013-2014. George Rainbolt and the committee thanked Tai for his hard work with the committee. Tai, in return, thanked the committee for their hard work through the years.

AGENDA ITEM #4 Others: None
The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 PM
Submitted by,

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