

Senate Standing Committee on Academic Planning & Priorities

Monday, April 20, 2009 4:00 – 7:00pm Room G-2110 Surrey

Minutes

Present:

Heidi Abramyk
Kathleen Bigsby
Patrick Brouwer
Brian Carr
Dana Cserepes
Bob Davis
Wade Deisman
Rob Fleming
Aysha Haq
Sooz Klinkhamer
Judith McGillivray
Paul Tyndall

Joel Whittemore (Chair)

Regrets:

David Atkinson Arvinder Bubber Stephanie Howes Robin Russell

Guests:

Sandi Klassen Derek Robertson

Recorder: Elizabeth Merritt, University Secretariat

1. Confirmation of Agenda

The agenda was confirmed by consensus.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of March 23, 2009 were approved by consensus.

3. Overview of Faculties

The committee reviewed and discussed the faculty overview documents developed a year ago for the incoming president to give him a broad view of the institution. The documents provided an outline of each faculty in terms of programs offered, challenges and opportunities. Once faculty councils are established, it might be beneficial to develop a template for each faculty to ensure consistency of the information. Members can send suggestions to the Chair regarding key information they would like included in the template.

4. Enrolment Management

Jody Gordon and Rob Fleming gave a presentation on enrolment management providing background on the changing post-secondary environment, including funding issues, the shrinking high school market, competition from other institutions, student retention and recruitment, and the new role of Kwantlen as a University. Kwantlen is expecting a 15% increase in enrolment in the fall of 2009. Kwantlen will be recruiting both an Executive Director for Continuing Education and Executive Director for Enrolment Management.

5. Institutional Analysis and Planning

Kathleen Bigsby presented a profile of the Kwantlen region in terms of level of education, school attendance, labour force participation, population change, high school enrolment changes, graduation patterns and comparative figures on post-secondary enrolment in the region. Further information can be found on the Institutional Analysis and Planning website (http://www.kwantlen.ca/iap.html).

The Environmental Scan is available online at:

http://www.kwantlen.ca/ shared/assets/kwantlen s environmental_scan_june_0889_86.pdf

6. Items for Discussion

6.1 Institutional Accountability and Plan

The Accountability Plan and Report is available at: http://www.kwantlen.ca/ shared/assets/ap final combined july178781.pdf

6.2 President's Task Force on Mission and Mandate

Rob Fleming provided an update on the Task Force which has met 4 times to date. A preliminary draft has been formulated. The President sent an email update to Kwantlen staff on April 20 including members of the task force. People can contact the President or any member of the Task Force with their concerns.

6.3 SSC on Curriculum

Dana Cserepes updated the SSC APP members on the activities of the Curriculum Committee. Rob Fleming noted that Kwantlen recently applied for exempt status to the Degree Quality Assessment Board. The site visit has occurred. The recommendation will be going to the DQAB on April 27 and then to the Ministry of Advanced Education and Labour Market Development (ALMD) for approval.

6.4 SSC on University Budget

Harj Dhaliwal reported on committee activities.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.