

University Advisory Council

February 13, 2014

CH 319 – 3:00 PM

Present: James Limbaugh, Debbie Ritz, Pete Everingham, Ligia Arango, Jane Stuart, Vicki Gist, Jamie McBryan, Brian Simonson, Kim Watson, Kristi Shettel, Arlys Williams, Marianne Hoppe, Ron Kling

Policies:

1001.1 Equal Education/Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Program

1001.7 Discrimination Grievance Procedure

These policies were brought to the group for information purpose. The content is the same, however links containing contact information have been added. If you click on Affirmative Action Officer it will supply you with contact information such and name and phone number of the person.

Updates:

New Provost, William Rugg, will begin on Monday, Feb 17. There will be a reception for Bill and his wife at 3:00 in the SUB Ballroom on Tuesday to welcome them to Havre.

Auto/Diesel campaign - is currently in the silent phase, which means that 70% of the funds needs are raised during this phase then the campaign will go public. The adjusted projection at this time is \$9.6 Million. Our portion to raise is \$5 Million. Once 3 million of that is secured we can break ground. Goal is to open in Spring 2016 for classes.

We Love Northern Ball - will be held February 15. Currently, \$28,000 for scholarships and over \$9,000 for the North Montana Plains Indian Museum has been raised.

North Montana Plains Indian Museum – work is continuing on the space in Library where the museum will be housed. A conservator will be on campus next week and a dedication ceremony will be held on Friday, May 2. The reception following Commencement will also be held at the museum.

NWCCU Accreditation - Chancellor gave handout to those present showing that accreditation for MSU Northern has been reaffirmed through NWCCU. There is still a need for improvement noted as follows:

1. Mission fulfillment - indicators of achievement need to be better aligned with clearly defined and meaningful levels of mission fulfillment (Standard 1.A.1, 1.B.2);
2. Assessment – Assessment efforts should place less reliance upon course-specific assessment and course grades, and a broader portfolio of assessment techniques should be developed and used (Standard 2.C.10);

Nursing – The Notice of Vacancy for the Director of Nursing position has recently been posted. The nursing department is conducting surveys for summer courses and tutoring to try and see what is most needed by their students. A report is due to State Board of Nursing every quarter. There is a taskforce being formed to address statewide nursing.

Dr. Cruzado will be on campus Feb 18 for meetings with Foundation and Alumni Boards and also lunch with faculty.

Title IX – Kim Watson reported that campus policies are being looked at to bring them under the 1MSU policy system. There are four Title IX investigators on the Havre campus. They are Kathy Jaynes, Kim Watson, Tracey Jette and Alisha Schroeder.

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All Sports Banquet will be held on April 2. Everyone invited and cost is \$20/person.

Pete requested to have a section in the gym and at the football field for Veterans.

Northern will host the May Board of Regents meeting on May 22 & 23.

Learning Success Center - Ligia stated that the goal of the center was to have 50% of those that came and signed in to return. At this time, the numbers show that they have had 68% returns to the center for help.

Student Excellence Awards – Kim reported that Student Excellence nominations are being looked at to choose this year's recipients. She is also in process of choosing students for leadership positions such as RA and student ambassadors.

Student Senate – Ron Kling reported that student senate is being revitalized. They have recently redone the Senate Bylaws and are beginning a pilot program to recycle #5 plastics. Future goals are to have a voter registration drive on campus as well as workshops on ballot issues and political speakers on campus.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM

Debbie Ritz