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MINUTES
COUNCIL ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING AND BUDGET
March 25, 2011

Voting Members Present: Roger Beck, Amanda Bos, Ellen Corrigan, Sarah Daugherty, Mona Davenport, Adam Dodge, Karla Evans, Zhenghong (Jane) Hou, Diane Jackman, Andrew Lilek, John Henry Pommier, John Poshepny, Gary Reed, Darlene Riedemann, Kathlene Shank, Jenny Sipes, Richard Wandling

Absent: Robert Augustine, Gene Deerman, Brad Green, Angie Hallowell, Gloria Leitschuh

Non-Voting Members Present: Judy Gorrell, Blair Lord, Robert Martin, Dan Nadler, William Perry, William Weber

1. Call to Order/Introductions

Karla Evans called the meeting to order at approximately 3:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes of February 18, 2011

Motion (Poshepny/Lilek): To approve the minutes as written. Motion carried.

3. Executive Committee Report

The Executive Committee did not meet, but rather communicated by phone and email to formulate the agenda.

4. Sub Committee Reports

President's Report

--Legislative Update -- Dr. Perry reported that there are several shell bills. Performance based funding legislation is moving along. We believe that any performance based funding will be to our advantage.

VPAA Report -- Blair Lord reported that the Center for Clean Energy Research and Education was approved by the Board of Trustees and is on the agenda for the Illinois Board of Higher Education.

VPBA Report -- Bill Weber reported that at the end of February Eastern had received 25% of our appropriation or approximately \$11.4 million, plus \$5 million in MAP money for Fall 2010. At that time the State still owed Eastern approximately \$33 million of appropriated money and \$5 million in MAP money for Spring 2011. Eastern will be able to go through the end of the semester with no layoffs and no shutdowns.

-- Strategic Planning -- Dr. Weber reported that the Strategic Planning Committee is still in the data gathering phase of the process. The deadline for the data gathering phase is May 10. The Committee will meet all day on May 10 and will determine four to six strategic themes.

-- Facilities Report -- Gary Reed commended Chad Weber, Chris Bartlett, and Lionel Sanders for the job they did recently with the power outage on campus. Power was restored in 2 ½ hours. The Renewal Energy Center is on scheduled and is scheduled to be completed by the end of June. Campus projects for the summer include: masonry repair work in Booth; Garfield to be converted to green space; design work for the Honors College; track and turf replacement; parking lot at University Court; and windows in Taylor and Lawson.

VPSA Report – Jenny Sipes reported that the Student Affairs subcommittee discussed upcoming events for the Student Veterans of Eastern (SVE). Three EIU students and Michael Ruyball (Veterans Services Coordinator) were honored through the Hoops for Heroes program at the Ohio Valley Conference basketball tournament in Nashville in early March. On March 27, Mr. Ruyball and four student veterans will participate in the 26.2 mile Bataan Memorial Death March in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Near the end of the semester, SVE will also be leading Flag In My Pocket and Project Hero events to honor and thank deployed soldiers. The subcommittee also announced that registration is open for Panther Service Day, which will be held on April 16. During a discussion about campus safety, Vice President Nadler reminded the subcommittee that the Alert EIU text messaging system is only used in emergency situations in which there is deemed to be an imminent danger to life safety. The Alert EIU text messaging system is the University's very highest form of alert and should always be taken very seriously. Finally, the subcommittee shared that EIU's job placement rate for the Class of 2009 was very favorable when compared to the national average. According to a report from the National Association of Colleges and Employers, less than 64% of the Class of 2009 had jobs within six to seven months of graduation from United States universities. In contrast, the EIU Class of 2009 had a job placement rate of 77% within 5 months of graduation.

-- Summer Camps and Conference – Dr. Nadler discussed camps and conferences held on Eastern's campus each year. The camps and conferences are designed to break even. Camps and conferences create opportunities for young students to see the campus and has proven to be an effective recruiting tool over the years.

VPUA Report

-- Capital Campaign Update – 85.4 percent of the goals has been raised by the end of February. Upcoming campaigns are scheduled in Washington, D.C., Chicago, St. Louis, Springfield, and Coles County. Legacy Weekend is scheduled on April 15 and 16.

-- Faculty/Staff Campaign Update -- The Faculty/Staff Campaign began mid March and runs to the end of April. Participation is going well.

Cost Containment Ad-Hoc Committee Report -- No report

Ad Hoc Committee for CUPB Bylaws Revision -- Sarah Daugherty reported that the committee is recommending minor revisions to the CUPB Bylaws, primarily nomenclature changes. A vote on the proposed revisions will be placed on the agenda of the April meeting, and Judy Gorrell will distribute the document electronically, since the membership must have the proposed changes two weeks prior to a vote.

5. **New Business** -- None

6. **Old Business** -- None

7. **Adjournment**

Motion (Lilek/Riedemann) to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned.

Judy Gorrell
Executive Secretary