DISCUSSION NOTES
CAMPUS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2012
3:00 – 4:00 p.m. – 203 Mrak Hall

Member Attendees (all attended in person, no attendees by phone): Gloria Alvarado, Linda Bisson, Jordan Carroll, James Cubbage, Karl Engelbach, Ethan Evans, Penelope Herbert, Ralph Hexter, Linda Katehi, Shaun Keister, Lyn Lofland, Phyllis McCalla, John Meyer, Peter Siegel, John Vohs.

Absent: Yena Bae, Ellen Bonnel, Adela de la Torre, Dianne Gregory, Rob Kerner, William Lacy, Harris Lewin, Bruno Nachtergaele, Charles Nichols, Claire Pomeroy, Rahim Reed, Ramak Siadatan, Maureen Stanton, Rebecca Sterling, Patricia Turner, Dan Wilson.

Delegates: Wes Young (attending on behalf of William Lacy)

Attending Non-Members: Amy Pereira

Guests: Marj Dickinson

July 13, 2012 Discussion Notes Approved

Discussion Highlights:

1. Budget Overview:
   a. There are three possible scenarios that the campus needs to consider when discussing the budget.
      i. Scenario A
         1. Prop 30 tax initiative is passed
         2. No increase in tuition for students.
         3. The state would buy out the amount
         4. Merit increases would occur.
      ii. Scenario B
         1. Prop 30 tax initiative does not pass
         2. UC Davis would have a $40M budget cut
         3. 20% increase in tuition for students.
         4. Merit increases would occur only per contracts.
      iii. Scenario C
         1. Prop 30 tax initiative does not pass
         2. UC Davis would have a $40M budget cut
         3. No increase in tuition for students.
         4. Merit increases would occur only per contracts.
   b. We need to provide a budget plan to UCOP for Scenario A at this time.
   c. Should we need to make cuts we will need to look at the following:
      i. Increase revenue to offset the cuts
      ii. Targeted cuts
      iii. Seek efficiency
      iv. Consolidating some of the service units/offices to merge duplicate tasks
      v. Increase teaching capacity of faculty
d. People really have no idea how bad it is.
   1. A $50M cut equates to 285 faculty members or 580 staff members or 1 entire school.
   2. If we removed all of the administration, deans and above, there would only be $11M in savings.

e. Suggestions:
   i. Participate in Phase 1 of the UC Payroll System consolidation project to streamline costs.
      1. Concerns about participating in Phase 1
         a. It’s a major undertaking of resources and costs
         b. IT capacity at the Medical Center
         c. All payroll processes will reside in Riverside, limiting control
         d. There is a very large initial investment with savings in the long-term.
   ii. Distribute budget handout to broader campus audience.
      1. The document was drafted as a point of discussion within that group and without additional context and discussion might create more confusion than intended.
      2. The Provost office is diligently working on a budget communication document that is to be shared with the broader campus audience.
   iii. Hold forums with the faculty prior to school starting
   iv. Publish the 3 Scenarios along with an interview with Provost Hexter in Dateline.
      1. Explain that we do not have the answers and solicit feedback and suggestions.
      2. Speak to our efforts in increasing revenue
      3. Reach the parents of students, “Do you see what these cuts are doing to the opportunities presented for your children?”
      4. Link the “29 Working Smarter Efficiencies” with the article.
   v. Proposal: In the career of a faculty member, allow one merit step based on contributions to teaching.
      1. Incentive for extra teaching
      2. Develops a self-supporting system

f. Tax Initiative Factsheet
   ii. Encouraged to distribute this information widely.
   iii. Please contact Marj Dickinson’s office to ensure your message and distribution plan meets the letter and spirit of state law and university policy precluding the use of university resources to campaign for or against a ballot initiative measure.
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g. We need to encourage students to vote!
   i. Marj will contact Yolo County registration to see about handing out voter registration cards to students on campus.