## Draft Meeting Minutes Governance Steering Council May 8, 2013

**Present:** Dan Gerlowski, Giordana Segneri, Margarita (Magui) Cardona, Amirah Muhammad, Catherine Johnson, Michael Carrington, Debra Stanley

Absent: Christine (Chris) Spencer, Mohammed (Shiraz) Ahmed, Sydney Comitz

Guest: Karen Karmiol, University Budget Committee

Call to Order: 12:40 PM

- 1. Introduction of new GSC faculty and student members, Catherine Johnson (faculty) and Michael Carrington (student)
  - a. Dan Gerlowski gave a brief overview of the role of the GSC, the GSC Plan of Organization, and the continuing order of business for the 2013-2014 GSC.
    - i. The GSC Staff hand-off meeting will be scheduled for June once the Staff Senate elects their officers.
    - ii. The first order of business for the summer will be to set up the GSC bylaws and vote on them.
- 2. University Budget Committee
  - a. Karen Karmiol from the Budget Committee gave updates on the committee and the budget priorities process.
    - 1. A T-drive has been established to access changeable University budget documents. The access will be extended to the new and continuing GSC members.
      - a. All new and continuing members' names should be forwarded to Karen as soon as possible.
    - 2. The committee is having problems with writing the budget priorities memo to President Bogomolny without having cost information and would like suggestions on what to write in the memo.
      - a. The suggestions included mentioning common themes and pointing out that the committee requested information on costs and have not received it.
      - b. The UFS representatives indicated that they had heard of a proposal coming out of CAS concerning improvements and continuation funding for student success initiatives. In that discussion at the UFS it was indicated that some of the functions supporting student success had been moved into CAS from other parts of the university but the funding for the resources that undertook those activities had not been fully transferred.
      - c. The committee's last meeting is May 20th and the committee will send the memo to be approved by the GSC on May 23rd.
- 3. Governance Body Updates
  - a. The Staff Senate are conducting elections and are looking forward to their Staff Senate retreat in June.

- b. The Faculty Senate are still inquiring about rented garb for Commencement. The UFS appointed its new officers at its May meeting and is likely to be more focused on student success in the coming year.
- c. The Student Government Association's executive board is planning to meet in May and the body is looking forward to their leadership retreat in late May.
- 4. The April 24th minutes were approved.
- 5. A motion to adjourn was made and approved at 1:30 pm.