Meeting Minutes for the Taskforce for IG Reform

Heth 018, 1pm September 25, 2012

Attendees: Sam Shumate, Bill Hrezo, Steven Owens, Kevin LoPresto, Ashlee Claud

There was a discussion that this group needs a chair. Sam Shumate made a motion to name Dr. Erin Webster Garrett our chair, Bill Hrezo seconded and the yes vote was unanimous.

Planning the Open Forum on October 9

**Plans and Goals:**

- Announce the Taskforce and give a brief history of how we came to be
- Educate attendees about Internal Governance
- Get Feedback from attendees that will help us to organize our issues and concerns to present to Rod Smolla
- We want attendees to feel like this forum is transparent and empowering
- Attendees are seated at large round tables that seat 8 people. We should have a committee member at each table taking notes. It would also be nice to try to get members from T&R, AP, Staff and student body at each table.
- Introduce presidents – unified and working together. Each should comment as to why IGR is important for each group.
- Give background on Rod Smolla and include June 6 forums and frame this event as a precursor to his next campus visit. Also, frame this as a part of a continuing conversation between our campus and Rod Smolla. We gave comments to Rod Smolla on June 6, this forum presents campus with his comments and is our chance to respond/extrapolate.

After introductory comments, breakout into groups with Rod Smolla’s questions (or an edited/ pared down version) on each table. Perhaps include other IGR materials as well? Provide website link somewhere and mention that Rod Smolla’s reading list is available there.

Should we divide Rod Smolla’s comments so that each table is asked to discuss a different set of topics, or put all comments on every table and let participants pick which comments on which to discuss/comment?
We need to articulate our next step to the group – which is to compile information in a meaningful way to give to Rod before he comes to campus and this will help us to be better prepared for the October 25-26 campus visit.

**Marketing:**

RU Today
Listserv
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Design an e-vite?
Website
RU TV Channel 14

SGA should invite their members through their communication channels
Include mission and goals statements, and beauty text to marketing information
Go forward with website text and go live without the timeline as the website will be a necessary marketing tool for October 9.

**More questions for Rod Smolla:**

Is there anyway to get models before the October 9 forum?
Could we get a list of best practices?

**Concerns for Rod Smolla:**

After the October 26 visit, we need to end the conversation and begin action towards creating a plan
We need actionable items from the October 25-26 campus visit
What kind of information will he give to the board? – what will he give them that’s concrete?
How/when will this information/feedback be shared with TIGER?