

AP Senate Open Meeting
November 16, 2010

Attending: Elizabeth McCormick, Brent Chumbley, Ashlee Claud, Alice Coughlin, Deneen Evans, Stephanie Janelle, Amanda Mollet, Sarah Ross, Donna Spradlin, Brad Tilley

Absent: Karen Castelee, Robbie Davis, Robyn Porterfield

Liaison: Ed Oakes

Guests: President Kyle, Addis Ainsley, Kathy Anderson, Kay Johnson, Jessica Ireland, Eric Ackerman, Loretta Estes, Jay Flynn, Meghan Worrell, Peter Petrusku, Tracey Mattson, Lisa McDaniel, John Liptak, Tina Filbert, William Dixon, Michael Richardson, Sandra Bond, Melissa Vidmar, Angela DeVore, Megan Dixon, Olga Pagorelsky, Lohn Leonard, Mary Weeks, J. Dickens, Ellen Taylor, Eli Jamison, Dale Tempiet, Damion Allen, Laura Noll, Joey Sword, Joe Scartelli, Renee Huth

Agenda

1. Remarks from President Kyle:

Change "Executive" in division name

Update on Bonus

Capital Projects update:

Fall of 2012 – New COBE building will be open.

Fitness and Wellness Center: Construction will begin this summer, currently drawing revisions, still choosing between 5 sights located close to the Bonnie

Science center will be built in the parking lot behind Reed Curie – going over architectural firms/interviews now.

Resident hall renovations – upgrading for safety, fire hazard, plumbing a/c, cosmetics, sustainability.

Enrollment is up again – good open house recently. Enrollment goal = 10,000: 2000 x 4 = undergrad – 2000 graduate

No tuition break for children of RU employees.

Possibly encourage reimbursement for payment to taking classes at VT for classes not offered here. Requirement to stay at RU for a period if this is offered.

RU Transit upgrade– town/gown project: new, smaller buses. Routes include stops at the hospital, through the city, Fairlawn, Blacksburg, Christainsburg, and will connect to the smart bus.

The Burlington building came with 10 acres that will be repave for parking commuter lot with bus service.

2. Introduction of Senators.

3. Sub-committee update – opportunities available in all areas – everyone is encouraged to sign up.

4. Goals and objectives:

Become more transparent

Parity with T&R and classified

Collaborate with T&R and Classified Senate

Evaluation system should be overhauled

Update handbook

Full AP Representation on search committees and IG committees

Bridge communications gap

5. Questions and concerns from AP Faculty in attendance:

Money for PhD's to present – parity with T&R PhD's

Foundation money for AP Faculty to do external research or recognized/present AP

Faculty day at a basketball game as a fundraiser/service project