Accept Minutes – from the July 11, 2007 meeting

Budget – Mike Brodeur

Elect a Co-Chair

Set future meetings dates and times
Attendees: Dr. Renee Rose (Chair, DCEE), Dr. Carrie Haskell-Luevano (MC), Dr. Sven Normann (DCEE), Dr. Ray Booth (MC), Dr. Mike Meldrum (PD), Dr. David Brushwood (PHCA), Dr. Bill Millard (Dean’s Office), Ms. Deborah Stowell (Non-voting Secretary)
Absent: Dr. Rich Segal (PHCA), Dr. Jeff Hughes (PC), Dr. Tom Munyer (PP)

Accept Minutes: Meeting was opened at 12:00pm in room 4307 with the minutes from the July 11, 2007 FGC meeting being approved as recorded.

Budget: Mike Brodeur, Sr. Associate Dean for Administrative and Financial Affairs, was a guest at the meeting today to discuss the College’s budget issues. The College is facing a permanent reduction in its budget starting FY 07/08 but to what degree is still questionable. At this time it’s estimated to be about a 4.25% which equals about $588,731 but could go as high as 10% for a total of about $1,385,250. Mike has several plans that could be possible options for this reduction but also asked the committee to come up with some as well, maybe offering new insight or other options. In Mike’s first option plan there would be no salary cuts or personnel cuts. A big portion of the funds would come from the differential tuition that was started back in FY 04/05. This totals approximately $477,049 but could be higher once final calculations have been made. The additional funds needed to bridge this gap would then come from cuts to each of the departments. The committee will discuss options for the college based on a worst case scenario of a budget cut of 10%. Mike Meldrum will contact Human Resources to gather information on personal resource policies on layoffs and Dr. Millard will put together information of faculty and staff based on departments and hiring dates.

Election of Co-Chair: Renee Rose thought a Co-chair was necessary for additional guidance and also if she was unable to be present at a meeting there would be someone to lead the discussions. Carrie Haskell-Luevano nominated Mike Meldrum and seconded by David Brushwood. Mike Meldrum agreed to this nomination and the committee unanimously voted him on as Co-chair.

Future Meetings: Future meetings still need to be set and Debbie Stowell will be checking calendars and/or contacting members for their availability.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50pm