Faculty Senate Council Meeting
January 8, 2013 at 11:30 a.m.
MINUTES


GUESTS: James Baldwin, Registrar

Items of Business:

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve minutes from the November 13, 2012 Faculty Senate Council meeting was made by Warren Fass and seconded by Marietta Frank. The minutes passed unanimously.

Next Faculty Senate Council Meeting: January 22, 2013, in the Academic Dean’s Conference Room at 11:30 a.m.

Next Full Faculty Senate Meeting: January 29, 2013 in University Room at 11:30 a.m.

Enrollment Update: James Baldwin, attended the meeting to give an enrollment update. A packet of information was distributed which was the report that was given at the Presidential Leadership Retreat. James thoroughly discussed the report which included retention, success, graduation rates, and a profile of the student population. The information is available and online at: www.upb.pitt.edu/facultyandstaff.aspx. Choose the Registrar’s data site link and enter the appropriate user name and password. Next, choose the Annual Retreat directory. Contact Kim Bailey for username and password.

To summarize:

- There has been a push to recruit students from out of state.
- Pitt-Bradford does receive tuition incentive monies, but the rules and regulations seem to change with that program every year. Pitt-Bradford is not held so much to the FTE count as it is to the revenue projections.
- Nursing program has higher revenues.
- Over half of our new enrollments were direct applicants this year (190), but we also receive quite a few from referrals from the Pitt-Oakland(116).
- Provisional students (71) must limit credits to 13 and complete the College Success course. These students have lower GPAs.
- We have a higher diversity than any other Pitt campus with the exception of Pitt-Titusville.
- Non-traditional students are down to 1%
- 34.4% of our Freshman are considered First Generation College students which means they are unfamiliar with college lingo and don’t receive a lot of support from home. They will struggle more because the expected family contribution is 0%
• Look at the High School Rank statistic as it shows motivation of students. James Baldwin feels this is a good statistic to work with. However, not all high schools use this ranking.
• Merit Awards are listed by SAT range and by admission type with scores.
• Pitt-Bradford retention rates are higher than the national average but we want them to be in 72%-75% range.
• Our profile is similar to Johnstown’s profile and our SATs are similar, but Bradford has a much lower first year grade. James is also working on a first year grade analysis of Freshman students. We need to explore if regional students coming in are less prepared. The preliminary report is available through Kimberly Bailey hanold@pitt.edu.
• Graduation and retention rates are two factors that are regularly looked upon. We need to start talking as a faculty about these issues. Do we change the pedagogy of what we are doing to help students be successful?

Classroom Issues Raised at full Faculty Senate Meeting:  Tabled for next meeting

Tenure Document-Non-Tenure Stream Changes Needed:  Tabled for next meeting

Mandatory Final Exams:  Tabled for next meeting

50th Anniversary:  Tabled for next meeting

Procedures for appealing salary decisions:  Tabled for next meeting

A motion to adjourn was made by Ogundayo; Frank seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.