

Provost's Council - September 1, 2010

Present: Sandra Westbrooks (chair), Rachel Lindsey, Derrick Collins, Sylvia Gist, Joseph Balogun, Cecilia Bowie, Justin Akujieze, Richard Darga, Richard Milo, Miriam Mobley Smith, Jerald Henderson, Robin Benny, Tiffany Hope, Debrah Jefferson, Jermaine Ferguson, Cheryl Green, Ce Cole Dillon, Patricia George, Andre Bell, Fernando Diaz, Cheri Signey, David Hampton, Mario Beatty and Students, Lee Junkins, Yvonne Harris

1. August 25 minutes approved.
2. Trip to Egypt (Beatty and Students): Professor Beatty and five of his students gave a presentation on their study abroad trip to Egypt. The students all expressed the life-changing nature of their experiences. Notably, CSU students were better prepared and more knowledgeable about the sites the group visited than the students from Howard University.
3. Classroom Furniture Needs (Tracy Nesbit Stokes): Ms. Stokes indicated that much of the classroom furniture needs to be replaced. She gave all deans information about the types of chairs that can be ordered and their prices. Deans are asked to determine what their needs are for chairs in the classrooms and to forward that information to the Provost. Elevator Update: The elevator in the Cook building will be up on October 27. The elevators in the BHS and the SCI (east side) building will be out from November 1 to January 28. The elevators in the ED and HWH buildings will be out between January 31 and April 25. All deans should identify faculty and students who are unable to climb stairs and to make arrangements to accommodate them.
4. Thurgood Marshall Leadership Conference (Lee Junkins): Mr. Jenkins thanked Dr. Westbrooks for sponsoring the students who attended last year's Thurgood Marshall Leadership Conference and announced that the Thurgood Marshall Group will sponsor 10 students next year. The conference is a valuable experience for students, who are expected to wear business attire all four days of the conference. Many national businesses seeking to hire outstanding minority students are represented at the employment fair that takes place at the conference. Mr. Junkins asks all Deans to send him the names of potential student participants. Seniors are the best candidates to send, because they can best take advantage of the employment fair. Interviews of potential participants are October 5.
5. Enrollment Update: Tabled
6. Enrollment Committee Update: Tabled
7. Tutorial Resource Directory: Tabled
8. Online Advisors Directory (Jefferson): The Online Advisors Directory will be on the web soon, as well as the document spelling out the expectations for advisors.
9. ACT Math Cutoff Scores (Hampton): Mr. Hampton indicated that CSU's cutoff scores for our Math Placement examination are higher than others'. Robin Benny will ask that the matter be put on the agenda for the Faculty Senate. Dr. Westbrooks indicated that Mr. Hampton should consult with Mr. Bell and Dr. Attele. When it is established, the Enrollment Committee would be the venue in which issues such as these can be raised.
10. Dress Code for Students (Watson): Dr. Watson explored the viability of developing a dress code for students. Student Affairs will take the lead in developing a code. All agree that students should refrain from wearing clothing that reveals bottoms, breasts, and belly buttons.
11. Academic Misconduct Policies: Attorney Hawkins asked the group to determine how academic misconduct should be handled. They could be handled in each college, though this sometimes leads to inconsistency, or perhaps be a university-wide academic misconduct committee.