

Academic and Student Affairs, Personnel and Legislation Committee Meeting

September 4, 2008

9:35 a.m. – 10:35 a.m.

Academic Library – Legislative Assembly Rooms

Members Present

Rev. Leon Finney, Jr., Ph.D., Chairman
Mrs. Peggy A. Montes
Juwaun Sutton, Student Trustees

Others Present

Dr. Frank G. Pogue, Jr., Interim President
Mr. Katey Assem
Dr. Erma Brooks Williams
Dr. Sandra Westbrook
Mr. Mark Durham
Dean Fahyar Simyar
Dean Sylvia Gist
Ms. Romi Lowe

Information Items

ACT Research Update

Provost Westbrook informed the Trustees that the Faculty Senate had met and will be examining the research on whether other higher education institutions use the ACT as the major criterion for student admission. The Deans have been consulted on this issue. Students will also be included in the process. Interim President Frank Pogue commented that the Faculty is the recommending body. PEC will examine the issue next week. The President will bring the matter to the Board. A change in policy is expected by 2009.

Accreditation Update

Provost Westbrook provided a written update. The report was accepted.

College of Business

Dean Simyar presented a power point presentation on the mission, activities, accomplishments, and priorities of the College of Business. He informed the Trustees that the MBA accreditation is moving forward. *Trustee Sutton requested that post job placement and graduate student placement be added to the database for future reporting. Trustee Montes congratulated the College on its report.*

College of Education

Dean Sylvia Gist provided an update on the accomplishments of the College of Education locally, nationally, and internationally. *Trustee Finney recommended that the College consult with Professor Haki Mubatbuti on the development of a charter school.* The report was accepted.

Enrollment Update

Ms. Romi Lowe provided an update on fall enrollment. She informed the Board that as of September 1, fall enrollment was 6926. *For future reporting, the data should be reported by college and department.*

Alumni Affairs Update

Mark Durham and Katey Assem provided a written report on benchmarks. A College of Business Alumni Association has been established. Giving is increasing. For next year, a projection of \$100,000 is expected to be raised. Trustee Finney noted that he is concerned about the university subsidizing the operations of the Alumni Affairs Office and would encouraged the Department to seek smaller donations, similar to how churches raise money and to continue to reach out to students. *Trustee Finney requested that before engaging churches in recruitment of alumni and students, a marketing plan is needed. Dr. Pogue commented that the main goal of The Foundation is fundraising. As such, the office has been renamed Institutional Advancement.*

Katey Assem informed the Trustees that the Friends of CSU Gala will be held on November 20, 2008. Trustees Finney and Montes pledged \$1,000 each.

Employee and Public Comments

Dr. Pogue invited Trustees to the September 16 Fall Convocation and Founder's Day and to the October 7 official dedication of the Convocation Center. Trustees were also invited to the White Coat Ceremony.