ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL
Minutes of
May 5, 2010

Attendees: Lauren Adamson, J.L. Albert, Paul Alberto, Amber Amari, Mark Becker, Chandler Brown, Doug Covey, Irene Duhaime, James Dutton, Mary Finn, Jim Flowers, John Fuchko (USG), Kerry Heyward, John Hicks, DeAnna Hines, Andrea Jones, Steve Kaminshine, Randy Kamphaus, Susan Kelley, Amy Lederberg, Cheryl Levick, Tom Lewis, Peter Lyons, Robert Moore, Lisa Palm, Nancy Peterman, Jerry Rackliffe, Don Reitzes, Tim Renick, Sterling Roth, Robert Sattelmeyer, Nancy Seamans, Edgar Torbert, Scott Woodison (USG)

Minutes of April 7, 2010 were approved as distributed.

Enterprise Risk Management

Mr. Fuchko presented information about the Board of Regents initiative to formalize enterprise risk management at the institutional level in the University System of Georgia. Mr. Fuchko noted the linkage to institutional strategic plans and the Board of Regents purpose to enable senior management to visualize, assess and manage significant risks that might adversely affect realization of institutional goals.

Policy for Postdoctoral Research Appointees

Dr. Lederberg presented the proposed policy on postdoctoral research appointees that had been developed in consultation with the Senate Research Committee. Dr. Lederberg pointed out the policy would in effect give employee privileges to non-employee postdoctoral research appointees. She explained the policy was designed with postdoctoral research appointees in mind, but could be adapted to serve postdoctoral clinical appointees as well such as those in the Counseling Center. Dr. Alberto added that the Deans Group had vetted the proposed policy and recommended proceeding with a vote by the Administrative Council.

Dr. Palm made a motion to approve the policy on postdoctoral research appointees as presented. Dr. Alberto seconded the motion.

Dr. Heyward asked about Human Resources involvement in the development of the policy. Dr. Lederberg answered that Human Resources had reviewed the document. Dr. Heyward asked about potential insurance related issues. Dr. Lederberg replied that Beth Jones had been consulted in this regard. Dr. Heyward also pointed to the seven-year time limit of appointments and urged inclusion of a statement that a longer appointment would be a violation of university policy. Dr. Adamson noted the table accompanying the policy statement erroneously stated the time limit as five years rather than seven years.

The motion passed with the two changes suggested by Drs. Heyward and Adamson.

Enrollment Report

Dr. Renick presented very positive enrollment reports for Summer Session 2010 and Fall Semester 2010. Dr. Renick indicated the average SAT for new freshmen was tracking to exceed 1100 for the first time. He noted transfer applications were down as was being seen nationally. He called attention to an increase in the number of students with Pell Grants due to the economy and increased federal dollars for Pell Grants. Dr. Kaminshine asked about the impact of the increased number of Pell Grant students on processing time for the Financial Aid Office. Dr. Renick responded that the Financial Aid Office had done well in processing most of the applications by March 1, not by increasing staff, but by improving the processes. Dr. Kamphaus commented that the increase in need and the increase in qualifying students were being seen
nationally. Dr. Renick observed that the increased federal support for Pell Grants had addressed the problem in prior years of running out of Pell Grant dollars.

Legislative Report

Mr. Lewis reported on the conclusion of the legislative session. He encouraged members of the Administrative Council to send handwritten notes to key legislators thanking them for the funds redirected for the design of the new academic building. He advised that such notes would be especially helpful as the next session deals with the cessation of federal stimulus funds and balancing the FY2012 state budget. Mr. Lewis also commented on the modified gun legislation that satisfactorily addressed the concerns raised by the University System regarding the original bill.

Strategic Planning

Dr. Alberto announced completion of the Strategic Planning Committee forums with skeleton goals emerging out of those campus discussions. Dr. Alberto indicated a draft document would be ready for campus discussion in September, 2010. He also announced a nationally recognized consultant on millennial students would be coming to campus this fall.

Announcements

Dr. Becker announced USDOE funding of the Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER) in the J. Mack Robinson College of Business under the leadership of Dr. Tamer Cavusgil.

Dr. Becker announced Ms. Peterman would be leaving the Vice President for Development post June 30, 2010. He announced Walter Massey would serve as Interim Vice President for Development.

Ms. Hines announced the branding research team would be conducting in-depth surveys for approximately 45 days with a report due June 25, 2010.

Dr. Palms introduced Dr. Peter Lyons as the incoming Associate Provost for Institutional Effectiveness.