P & D Agenda Meeting & Schedule
January 18, 2011

Present:  J. L. Albert, Pam Barr, David Caudill, Douglas Covey, Christine Gallant, Sandra Garber, Chris Henrich, Olga Jarrett, Richard Miller, Risa Palm, George Rainbolt, Lesley Reid, Jeffrey C. Rupp, Nancy Seamans, Phang C. Tai, Irene Weber and Yi Zhao.

Absent: Al Baumstark, Elizabeth Beck, Cathy Brack, Laura Burtle, Jennifer Chiovaro, Andrew Cohen, Jeremy Crampton, Donald Edwards, Paul Gallimore, Robert Harrison, Robin Morris, George Pierce, Jerry Rackliffe, D. Mike Raderstorf, Timothy Renick, Bruce Seaman, Roy Sobelson, Andrew Sumner, Volkan Topalli, Carol Winkler, and Maryann Wysor.

Others Attending: Beth Jones, Linda Nelson, Keshia Johnson and Paul Alberto.

The Agenda for the meeting was as follows:

1. Approval of Oct. 18, 2010 minutes.
2. Discussion/approval of GSU Strategic Plan, 2011-2016 (Paul Alberto and Pam Barr)
3. P & D Ad Hoc Diversity Strategic Planning Committee (Doug Covey)
4. MRRF list (George Rainbolt)

AGENDA ITEM #1      Approval of the Minutes

Phang Tai called the meeting at appx. 1:05 P.M.  The motion was made and approved to accept the 10/18/10 minutes.

AGENDA ITEM #2 – Discussion/approval of GSU Strategic Plan, 2011-2016

Phang Tai presented Paul Alberto, along with Pam Barr, the co-chair, to open the discussion and approval of the GSU Strategic Planning report. Paul stated that the hand out was draft #7, which is the shorter draft of the one previously received. Draft #7 runs 10 pages, including the Preamble. However, the longer version, with all the details, is available in the Provost’ office and will be given to the different Senate committees as needed. After completion, the plan will go on the university website.

Questions, Answers, & Comments

The rearranged structure of the document was well received by the group.

George Rainbolt suggested to change the order of initiative 2 to become #1 on page 6 so that the document would flow more naturally. It was agreed to make this a friendly amendment.

There was a discussion about the rankings, the source of the rankings and how the rankings affect the university. George Rainbolt made a motion to remove the second to the last sentence in the second paragraph. Page 1, "In 2009 GSU was named one of the Top 100 Public Universities in the U.S. by Forbes magazine". The motion was not seconded so therefore the motioned died.

Additional comments about the rankings led to a motion to have the document read, “The creativity and productivity of individual faculty members have enhanced GSU’s status nationally and among the
four research institutions in the University System of Georgia. They have also given rise to a number of nationally ranked graduate programs, including GSU's program in health law, which is ranked among the top five in the nation according to US News and World Report.” The motion was seconded and so moved.

_Irene Weber_ suggested that the wording on page 3 “Over nine-plus decades” should be changed to “over nine decades” instead. This was accepted as a friendly amendment.

_Phang Tai_ reviewed all the goals for approval or more discussion. _George_ stated that Goal 3, on page 8, GA State representatives “are encouraged to initiate discussions with the Board of Regents” should be replaced with the words “will initiate discussions” to be consistent with the other goals. This was accepted as a friendly amendment.

_Phang Tai_ commended Paul and Pam on behalf of the P & D Committee for a job well done. The motion to accept the document with amendments was seconded and so moved.

Paul announced that pending Senate approval that the President plans to kick off the new Strategic Plan Monday, January 31st. He will have a campus meeting to say he is now ready to raise money and make this happen.

**AGENDA ITEM #3 – Diversity Strategic Planning Committee**

_Phang Tai_ announced that he now has the names of those who agreed to be on the Ad Hoc Committee for Diversity Strategic Planning; Doug Covey, Chair, Irene Weber (A & S), Chris Henrich (A & S), Lesley Reid (A & S), Olga Jarrett (Education), Amber Amari (Staff Council) and Maryann Wysor (RCB). He said if there are others that would like to serve, they can contact Doug Covey. _Linda Nelson_ stated that they are eager to begin working on the draft and will be ready to move the document over to the Chair no later than Feb 1st. Linda raised the issue of the timeframe for which voting had to take place and the dates for the Senate and subsequent Executive Committees to meet. There was discussion on the turnaround time for reviewing and voting in time.

It was stated that the DSP did a full scale job on making the community aware either through open forums and website and lots of feedback was received. Doug and Linda have agreed to get the document as ready as possible for the 2/21st meeting for P & D to review. They will be working towards the March 17th meeting to get things done. Phang Tai suggested for Doug and Linda to have a draft made available for the committee to review and receive comments ahead of time.

**AGENDA ITEM #4 - The MRRF List**

Phang Tai moved to the next item, the MRRF List. _George Rainbolt_ (Committee Chair) stated that the MRRF list is the major moves and renovation money which usually gets about $5 million. There is a process where all data is collected, a list is compiled, then sent to the Deans and VP’s for their feedback and adjustments are made. The list goes to CBSAC then comes back to P & D, therefore the current document is a draft for comments. Comments can be made now or in email.
OTHER BUSINESS: Campus Traffic Safety

Beth Jones informed the group that the traffic light on Piedmont was promised to be in soon to help slow down the traffic at that intersection. She stated that they are working with the city to get a new sign at Edgewood and Piedmont that will also help with the cars and pedestrians.

No further updates or issues and Phang Tai adjourned the meeting at approx. 2:10 PM.