

Senior Staff Meeting
April 12, 2010
Meeting Notes

Attending: Eddy Brown, John Carmichael, Art Costantino, Susan Harris, Lee Hoemann, Steve Hunter,
John Hurley, Todd Sprague, Julie Suchanek, Ken Tabbutt, Steve Trotter, Laurel Uznanski
Absent: Les Purce

Review of minutes

The minutes of the April 5, 2010 meeting were approved.

Announcements

- Steve Hunter announced that the 10th day of spring quarter was last Friday. Enrollment came in 1% over target equaling an additional 350 FTE.

Thursday Night Demonstration

Thursday, April 8th, a protest against police brutality occurred in downtown Olympia. Of those arrested and released, approximately 14 are currently enrolled. The police confiscated some Evergreen Media Loan equipment during the protest. There was a cop watch program sponsored by SDS on campus earlier in the day.

Julie Suchanek responded to a call from a legislator seeking information about the protest. Julie explained that the students arrested represent less than 0.5% of our student population. Members of the Senior Staff reported on hearing from upset members of the Olympia community are upset.

Art Costantino reported on three vehicles vandalized in the parking lots over the past few weeks. Each of the vehicles displayed stickers or license plates supporting law enforcement. Other parking lot vandalism has been minimal recently and this common theme leads to the tentative conclusion that the vandals are targeting a specific population. The Senior Staff supported a public statement condemning the vandalism and the effort to target a group on campus.

Art also reported that graffiti has been found in several locations across campus using a derogatory term for Italian-Americans. Some of the graffiti also includes pornographic drawings. It is unclear as to whether or not it is being used against specific individuals or businesses. The bias incident response team has been called together to discuss the incidents.

Decisions and Actions

- Prepare draft statement coming from Senior Staff regarding on campus vandalism (Todd S., Art C.).
- Todd S. to check with Ellen Short Sanchez to see if the CCBLA is participating in the Olympia Downtown Association cleanup event (Todd S.)

Legislative Update

Today is day 29 of the 30 day session. By tomorrow midnight all needs to be done. The Dunshee jobs bill has passed. The bill, which is focused on competitive grants for both K-12 and higher education, will need to go up for public vote.

Fundraising Update

Lee Hoemann distributed copies of "Fundraising Summary March 2010" to Senior Staff. Giving in March was less than hoped. Lee discussed possible reasons for the decline. Calls made to the Tacoma area are now showing up on caller ID systems as "unknown" numbers and are less likely to be answered. Recent events affecting community perception of the college would also harm fundraising. The goal for the year is set at \$565,000 and the foundation has raised \$413,000. The 40th Anniversary is coming quickly and plans are in the works for an event. A large event is planned for late in spring 2012 and may

resemble a traveling seminar with other social events, bringing alums back to campus. The plan is to have all planning committees aware of the 40th anniversary and use the theme in their promotions.

Decisions and Actions

- Consider who you would like to see on the 40th Anniversary Planning Committee and bring names to the next meeting (all).

Collective Bargaining

With the current legislation passed, The Evergreen State College is no longer part of the community college bargaining coalition. The effort to form a coalition with the other regional baccalaureate institutions has broken down. This change may have a large financial impact on the college. Bargaining with others provides the opportunity to save money by sharing costs.

Update on Summer Tuition

A meeting with the Geoduck Student Union (GSU) is planned for Thursday morning, April 15, 2010. Ken, Art and Les will present an update on summer tuition to the GSU at that time.

Management Breakfast Agenda

The Management Breakfast meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, April 21, 2010. Suggestions for discussion at the meeting include: college budget, sharing of divisional plans, fundraising policy, planning work, and senior staff goals sharing with Q&A.

Goals Update

The Senior Staff Goals were discussed. Multiple suggestions and updates were made to the document. When complete, the goals will be shared with the Board of Trustees, JLARC and at the upcoming Management breakfast meeting.

Decisions and Actions

- Update the Senior Staff Goals and email to Senior Staff for review (John C.).
- After receipt of updated Senior Staff Goals, review copy and email John C. with any additional changes (all).