

ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

MINUTES OF INSTITUTE COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT:

H. Boyce-Pardee (for Cooper), G. Buckley, M. Carroll, M. Dwyer, R. Goldberg, J. Haefner, B. Kiely, S. Maggelakis, W. McKinzie (for Diaz-Herrera), S. Migliazzo, H. Miller, J. Miller, K. Mook, A. Moore, S. Patterson, A. Phelps, G. Pollock, A. Rao, P. Rosenberg, W. St. Jean, L. Twyman, J. Voelkel, F. Walker, G. Zion (for Lundgren).

MEMBERS ABSENT:

S. Bayerl, J. Beck, D. Boyd, L. Cauda, M-B Cooper, F. Cost, K. DeLorme, B. Destler, J. Diaz-Herrera, R. Doolittle, T. Engström, B. Finnerty, M. Fragale, B. Fuller, D. Guzman, M. Johnson, C. Kelley, L. Kushner, C. Licata, J. Loffredo, D. Lorenzo, S. Lu, C. Lundgren, K. Mayberry, K. McDonald, C. McKenzie, J. Miller, D. Mullaney, N. Nasr, J. Ott, H. Palmer, M. Picioli, V. Sanchez, C. Schreck, D. Stendardi, C. Thoms, J. Watrous, J. Watters, S. Widrick, L. Wild.

NON-MEMBERS ATTENDING:

N. Boulais, C. Gray, M. Hinz, K. Martin, N. Mendez, J. Zink. Interpreters: C. Lomeo, G. Macias.

The meeting was called to order at 3:07 p.m.

MINUTES

Minutes from the April, 2011, meeting were unanimously approved.

UPDATE

- Imagine RIT festival was great – as good as it gets – and a fantastic opportunity for RIT to show off.
- The inauguration of NTID's Gerard Buckley was a wonderful celebration.
- Our Lacrosse team continues their winning streak with a 17-0 undefeated record to date and, hopefully, making it into the finals.
- There is some concern that future commencements in the Field House may become difficult due to enrollment growth. Looking at alternatives now in anticipation of this issue.

CHANGE TO POLICY E36.0 (*Kathleen Martin*)

- In reviewing policies, it was discovered that some procedures are not as effective operationally as they read. The realities need to match the policy, so a change was suggested to policy E36.0 regarding compensation for staff who work special events such as commencement.
- Working with Becky Kiely, recommended changes were brought to Staff Council and the revisions were approved.
- Policy needs further tweaking; Kathleen to revise based on IC suggestions. Revisions will be distributed via email before the September meeting and IC will vote on this policy in September.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPORT (*Greg Pollock*)

- Greg reviewed the accomplishments and issues addressed by Student Government that they are most proud of during the past academic year:
 - Transportation improvements
 - Addressing changes that will help improve the lifestyle of students
 - Partnering with ITS on the GeneSIS Project

- Strengthening the relationship between SG and NTID, Greek organizations, NTID and other constituencies
- Challenges for transfer students
- Review of future goals

FALL ENROLLMENT UPDATE (*Jim Miller*)

- Key messages and institutional goals
- Challenges to enrollment and marketing
- The goals and indicators of progress for the fall enrollment
- Budget planning and adjustments
- The fall 2011 recruitment outlook/statistics
- Summary
 - Current initiatives
 - Summer session critically important to goals
 - Retention indicators for fall are positive
 - Brand enhancement campaign is underway
- Questions:
 1. *Does the GeneSIS project have anything built into it that assists degree audit?*(G. Zion)
Answer: Yes, eventually.
 2. *Where are the negatives?* (P. Rosenberg)
Answer: No real weak spots. All colleges close to projected numbers—it's a good story.
 3. *Are the international campuses included in the data?* (H. Miller)
Answer: Yes.
 4. *What are the international statistics?* (W. McKinzie)
Answer: Croatia applications show some growth; tough economy and market. Dubai showing significant growth.

NEW BUSINESS/DISCUSSION

No New Business

The meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

To be approved September 14, 2011.