



University Executive Committee Meeting Notes September 15, 2011

Rollin Richmond
Ken Ayoob
Peg Blake
Teresa Grenot
Denice Helwig
Bryan Kelly
Anna KircherJohn Lee
Burt Nordstrom
Steve Smith
Bob Snyder
Carol Terry
Jay Verlinden
Frank Whitlatch
Rhea Williamson
Patty Lindley, Staff Support

Guests:

Jená Burges
Jenna Hanson
Ellyn Henderson
Laura Jackson

President's Report

President Richmond reported that he and others from HSU hosted a dinner at the Ingomar Club on September 14 to thank members of the Hoopa Tribe for their assistance in locating the HSU student who drowned.

Other Reports

Senate Chair Verlinden reported:

- a referendum on the proposed governance changes is being voted upon by the faculty September 12-15

AS President Kelly reported:

- the pre-football game rally on September 7 was well-attended; additional similar events will be planned this year
- AS has made many appointments of student representatives to the various university committees



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- he has been visiting with a number of areas (i.e. Children's Center, Women's Center) to learn about their areas and to see if there are ways to work together this year on common goals.

Dean Ayooob reported:

- the Native American Arts Gallery will exhibit the "Seeing Crow's Shadow" exhibit between September 15 and December 3, <http://humboldt.edu/events/2011/09/15/406/>, with the opening reception taking place on September 15, 4:30.

Provost Snyder reported:

- a reception to welcome all new faculty is scheduled at Baywood Golf and Country Club on September 15.

Vice President Nordstrom reported:

- the change-of-command and swearing-in ceremonies for the new police chief are taking place on September 15. Lt. Lynne Soderberg will assume Interim Police Chief responsibilities, replacing Tom Dewey who is retiring.

Dean Williamson reported:

- the first two Faculty Brown Bag Research Forums were held this week
<http://www.humboldt.edu/hsuf/>

Dean Smith reported:

- a Traditional Ecological Knowledge Symposium is scheduled on September 23-24 (open to the public).
http://www.humboldt.edu/cnrs/opportunities/traditional_ecological_knowledge_symposium
- a National Geographic photographer, Flip Nicklin, is scheduled to make a public presentation on October 26, 7:00, "Among Giants: A Life With Whales."
<http://humboldt.edu/events/2011/10/26/423/>

Dean Lee reported:

- the ribbon-cutting for the Social Work online program occurred on September 9.
- Vice President Blake reported:
- the 2nd finalist for the Student Health, Wellness and Counseling Services position is being interviewed this week.

Vice President Whitlatch reported:

- the new Events website is being widely used and viewed <http://humboldt.edu/events/>
- Homecoming and Family Weekend is scheduled on Friday, September 30, and Saturday, October 1, <http://humboldt.edu/events/2011/09/30/72/>. There is a reception at 4:00 on Friday (College Creek Great Hall) for scholarship donors and student recipients; members of the University Executive Committee are welcome to attend.



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Dean Grenot reported:

- the Library is preparing for the Educational Advisory Board Leadership Council's visit in mid-October. They will share best practices that will assist HSU in re-envisioning and redefining its Library.

2012 Commencement Speaker(s)

Possible commencement speakers were discussed, as well as a possible nomination for an Honorary Degree.

Draft Information Security Policies

CIO Anna Kircher reviewed three draft information security policies: Organizing Information Security; Configuration Management; and Access Control. The draft policies have been reviewed by the Computer Incident Response Team. Other suggested avenues for vetting included the Academic Senate as well as appropriate user groups. It was asked that an information security checklist be made available. This item will be placed on an upcoming University Executive Committee agenda for final approval. She noted that the survey of desktop computers last year resulted in approximately 1.8M social security numbers being found, 99% of which were deleted. It was determined that very few faculty computers stored this type of data, with most of them appearing as part of business processes, such as payroll.

WASC Update

Vice Provost Jená Burges distributed and reviewed a spreadsheet outlining the WASC Commission major recommendations, progress, and next actions, including areas where HSU's 2011-12 institutional priorities overlap. Vice Provost Burges encouraged civil and thoughtful conversations as the campus community works toward its goals, mission and vision and to remember these are tasks that we "want" to do to improve student success. It was suggested that HSU's mission and vision statements be more prominently placed on the HSU website. The next report to WASC is due in November 2013. The President's Office is taking steps to post the 2011-12 priorities on the HSU website.

Alumni Discovery Project

Laura Jackson, Associate Vice President for Development & Alumni Relations, introduced Jenna Hanson and Ellyn Henderson, two students who participated in HSU's Alumni Discovery Project during the summer which was funded by a \$20,000 CSU grant. This project involves current HSU students reconnecting with alumni through personal interviews and the completion of a survey. During the 2011 summer break, over 350 HSU alumni throughout the state were personally interviewed by seven students. Jenna and Ellyn noted that the experience exceeded their expectations and not only benefited the alumni, but resulted in their having a greater appreciation for HSU and its value.