

PRESIDENT'S CABINET MEETING
December 5, 2006
MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Steven Jones, Terry Berg, Victor Fite, Brad Johnson, and Paul Matney

MEMBER ABSENT:

Damaris Schlong

OTHERS PRESENT:

Brenda Sadler and Lynn Thornton

COST STUDY FOUR YEAR COMPARISON – Berg distributed handouts for the Cost Study Comparison. The four-year comparison showed the net income for each Cabinet member's area. Jones challenged the Cabinet to look over the study and have a detailed discussion after the holidays.

INTERNAL CAPITAL NEEDS COMMITTEE REPORT – A letter to potential community capital needs committee members will go out in the mail on December 6. There will be six meetings scheduled for the community committee beginning in January and running through March. A copy of the December 4 Internal Capital Needs Committee minutes were distributed. The Internal committee has ranked and prioritized the projects which were given them. Lynn Thornton, chair of the internal committee, said that the internal committee had great attendance and participation. His committee was given the list of requested needs and they collapsed the Allied Health requests into one item; the committee believed the items were interconnected. The committee was asked to rank their top ten projects; 28 out of 30 responded. There was discussion regarding the different projects. The floor space given up by Dental Hygiene will be used by all nine Allied Health areas. The dental clinic will be divided into four areas and will be used by the child development area. The report will be written to include relative and critical program needs without including solutions. Thornton reported on possible solutions the internal committee discussed which included a dental hygiene clinic; a new science building; biology needs; Byrd Business Building expansion; some would like to get more space in the West Campus Building B; and move the auto body program back to Building B. The Lynn Library ADA concerns were taken out of the report because these have to be met no matter the outcome of the list. Jones said that deferred maintenance was pulled out and given separate budget line items. Everyone will be reminded that deferred maintenance has to be a priority of this report. Thornton referred to the prioritized list and commented that Items 1-3 were the top critical needs; 4-8 included significant needs; and the rest, 9-24, were important needs. The report which will be sent to the community committee should be prepared by Friday. The Board of Regent members have been told that these needs are not definitive recommendations, strictly working papers. We want the external committee to tell us what is important to the community. Thornton said he believes bus tours to the areas of discussion would be helpful for the committee to observe. Jones said around 80 people will be invited to serve on the community committee; a letter will be mailed later in the week; he figures around 40 will be able to serve. The first community committee meeting will be on January 8.

MISCELLANEOUS –

Johnson reported that AC is putting together the next Title V grant application. There is a larger pool of colleges competing this time. A DOE consultant was hired to verify colleges' eligibility.

Next meeting: January 9, 2007
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