

Deans' Council Minutes

Wednesday, June 7, 2006

9:30-10:30 a.m.

Provost's Conference Room

Attending: Beisel, Bowers, Edwards, Ginnetti, Guerra for Yemma, Herbert, Hirtzel, Kasvinsky, Khawaja, Koblunicky, Licata, Ritchey

Guest: Jean Engle

1. Announcements

- No Announcements

2. Update on Summer

The Provost reported that we seem to have weathered the changes to the summer term and are well prepared for the second session. He thanked everyone for help with getting the first session underway.

3. *Viewbook*: Jean Engle

Jean Engle noted that the focus for the *Viewbook* will be heavily academic, featuring one successful student from each college. The new *Viewbook* will use the success-stories theme: "Your Success Is Our Story." Each college will have a two-page spread, featuring the college's selected student with a short personal interview. Jean asked the deans to consider what descriptive elements about their college they want to change from last year. The brochure will end with features on the Honors/Scholars programs, selected faculty, student support services, financial aid, YSU's return on investment, housing, and the usual area/regional descriptions.

The deans generally agreed with the new thrust and offered specific comments (e.g., highlight undergraduate research), as well as opinions about the cover (e.g., show students "doing things"; use the cover to combat misconceptions about YSU). **Send any suggestions about your college spread to Jean Engle by June 16.**

4. Dean and Chair Workshops

The Provost reminded deans to attend the deans' workshop on Monday, June 12, and to encourage maximal department chairs' attendance at the chairs' workshop Tuesday and

Wednesday.

5. New Business

Center for International Programs: The Provost noted that we may interview another candidate. He and Dr. Kasvinsky will discuss how to proceed. The Provost recognized the good efforts of this past year's leadership by Professors Steven Brown and Mustansir Mir, both of whom will be on leave in the fall.

6. Adjourn

Notes & Reminders:

Deans' and Associate Deans' Workshop (Holiday Inn, Boardman, June 12, 2006):

8:15 a.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Chairs' Workshop (DeBartolo Stadium Club, June 13–14, 2006):

8:15 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. June 13; and 8:15 a.m. – 3:15 p.m. June 14

(Deans to attend final sessions starting with lunch at 11:45 a.m. on June 14)

President's Address & Reception – August 21 (Chestnut Room, 10:00 a.m.)

Provost's All-Faculty Meeting – August 21 (Chestnut Room, 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.)

Academic Affairs New-Faculty Orientation – August 23 (DeBartolo Stadium Club):

approximately 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Human Resources New-Faculty Orientation – August 24

Chairs' Retreat – Punderson State Park (September 21–22, 2006)