

University Council Minutes
Wednesday, January 5, 2011
8:30 - 9:30 am
SUB, Room 233

Waded Cruzado, Daniel Adams, Peter Fields, Nancy Filbin, Jaynee Groseth, Rolf Groseth, Bob Hietala, Marvin Lansverk, Bob Lashaway, Diane Letendre, Paula Lutz, Tom McCoy, Shelley McKamey, Helen Melland, Tamara Miller, Dan Moshavi, Jo Packham, Craig Roloff, Doug Steele, Michael Stevenson, Leslie Taylor, William Van Horn, Allen Yarnell

I. Call to Order

President Cruzado welcomed everyone to University Council.

II. Approval of Minutes of December 1, 2010

The Minutes were approved as submitted.

III. University Wide Information/ Announcements

President Cruzado congratulated Dean Moshavi for the generous gift from Mr. Jake Jabs to the College of Business.

President Cruzado welcomed Provost Potvin to MSU. Provost Potvin is in Helena today for an accreditation standards meeting.

President Cruzado congratulated Vice President Steele on his recent appointment as Vice President for External Relations.

IV. Action

There were no action items.

V. Informational

A. Program Integrity Rules – Leslie Taylor

Legal Counsel Leslie Taylor gave a presentation on the new Program Integrity Rules from the Department of Education. If you have questions on the program or would like to attend a training session, please contact Leslie at lesliet@montana.edu or 994-4570.

B. 10,000 Hours Project – Jenny Lawson

MSU Student Jenny Lawson gave a presentation on the 10,000 Hours Project. President Cruzado thanked Jenny for the presentation and

discussed how important the service component is to the Land Grant tripartite mission. Service Learning increases retention and provides our students with a sense of meaning.

C. Benefits Committee Update – Doug Young

Doug Young, member of the Montana University System Benefits Committee gave a presentation on the status of the MUS benefits.

VI. Updates

A. Interim Provost

Interim Provost Fedock was unable to attend the meeting.

B. Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Chair Marvin Lansverk announced faculty have been busy grading projects. Faculty Senate will conduct department head reviews this year.

C. Professional Council

Professional Council Chair Nancy Filbin announced Professional Council will be listening to a presentation on campus sustainability at their next meeting. Professional Council is looking for ways to support the sustainability efforts on campus.

D. Staff Senate

Staff Senate Chair William Van Horn announced Staff Senate is continuing to work on the “Montana State University within the Community Context” report. Staff Senate is gathering information for their presentation at next week’s Board of Regents’ meeting.

E. ASMSU

ASMSU President Eric Fisher was unable to attend the meeting.

F. Athletics

Athletic Director Peter Fields distributed the 2010 Fall Semester Student Athletes grades.

G. MSU-Billings

Chancellor Rolf Groseth announced John Cech has accepted the position of Deputy Commissioner for Two-Year and Community Education at the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education in Helena. Mr. Vern Gagnon will serve as Interim Dean of the MSU-Billings College of Technology.

H. MSU-Great Falls

Dean Joe Schaffer was unable to attend the meeting.

I. MSU-Northern

Chancellor Frank Trocki was unable to attend the meeting.

President Cruzado presented the Montana State University Economic Impact Report. President Cruzado emphasized that MSU provides 13,500 Montana jobs and contributes \$1 billion yearly to the State's economy. This report does an excellent job of analyzing the value of Montana State University to the state of Montana.

MSU Foundation President Michael Stevenson announced on the day of December 31, 2010, the Foundation received over \$100,000 in gifts. Foundation President Stevenson announced that pledge fulfillments are up, investments are up and giving is up. He will share more information at the February University Council meeting.

Vice President Doug Steele gave a brief legislative update. President Cruzado will speak to the combined House and Senate this afternoon and will make a presentation tomorrow. Montana State University will present to the Joint Education Subcommittee on January 18, 2011.

President Cruzado encouraged everyone to attend the Spring Convocation on January 11 at 10:30 am in Reynolds Recital Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 am.