Institutional Planning Council

Minutes

November 8, 2006

Attendees: Andrea Fernandez, David Ahearn, Kim Barber Knoll, Quincy Brown, Linda Buchanan, Stuart Gulley, Greg McClanahan, Linda McMullen, Sarah Beth Mallory, Ben Podbielski, David Rowe, Maranah Sauter, Jay Simmons, Phyllis Whitney, Paul Wolkoff, and Bob Vitale.

The Evening College follow up was deferred to the February meeting, given the absence of Linda McMullen due to illness.

David Rowe asked the support of the IPC in encouraging the College community to attend the Waights G. Henry Lecture on Thursday, November 30, at 11:15 a.m. at the Callaway Auditorium. The address will be given by Gilbert Tuhaboyne, a native of Burundi, who participated in the “I Train in LaGrange” program, who has recently written a compelling book on his faith during the genocide that occurred in Burundi.

Jay Simmons reported that SACS has notified us of the approval of the Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership. Advertising for the program will begin in earnest, and the first cohort will start on January 17, 2007.

Paul Wolkoff and Bob Vitale gave a detailed presentation on the status of the Emergency Preparedness Plan, identifying the development of the plan in recent years, the current conversations underway, and the hopes for refining the plan in the future. It was acknowledged that Bob and Paul have done a considerable job in giving substance to the plan, although it still requires more detail. It was also acknowledged that most employees of the institution are largely ignorant of how to respond to emergencies. To this end, the Division Chairs were asked to identify a person from each building in their division to e-mail to Bob issues of safety and concern that Bob and the Safety Committee might vet in advance of a formal meeting with each building and/or division during the spring semester. The Division Chairs will get this information to Bob before the end of the semester. In the spring, Bob will initiate contact with Division Chairs for scheduling of meetings. Bob and Paul will return to the April IPC Meeting to give a report to the body on their progress.

The meeting ended at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

F. Stuart Gulley