

AHC FCC
September 15, 2005
Minutes of the Meeting

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Present: Kathleen Krichbaum (chair), Michael Georgieff, Lois Heller, and Nelson Rhodus

Regrets: Stephen Ekker, Peter Davies, and John Himes

Ex-Officio, Not Present: Dan Feeney

In these minutes: {Update on Strategic Positioning, AHC FCC Charge, and Update on Academy for Excellence}

Professor Krichbaum called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. The committee engaged in an open discussion about strategic positioning focusing on effective communication practices. The committee identified areas of disconnect in disseminating information including; calls for nominations to task forces, and strategic changes to programs and departments.

The function of the AHC FCC in relation to the Strategic Positioning process was discussed, including the role of the committee within the AHC communication structure. It was noted that communication within the AHC follows a path from division Faculty to their Department Heads, from the Department Heads to the Deans, and from the Deans to Senior Vice President, Cerra. The committee will discuss its charge and means of effective communication further with SVP Cerra.

The committee discussed how the new budget model would affect the AHC and efforts to develop cross-disciplinary programs and courses. This issue will be part of a discussion on the new budget at the October meeting with SVP Cerra.

Professor Krichbaum said she had invited Vice President, Paller, to meet with AHC FCC regarding plans to distribute the call to nominations for the Academy of Excellence. He will attend the meeting on September 27 to discuss the process.

The committee discussed increasing the pool of nominees, and ways of ensuring that each AHC Dean nominates individuals from their division.

Professor Krichbaum then addressed the Scholarship for Teaching, the formal recognition for excellence in teaching within the AHC.

The committee discussed the criteria for a portfolio for the Scholarship. Professor Krichbaum would like committee members to identify examples they would want to use for this portfolio. Professor Rhodus referred to a Graduate and Professional portfolio model currently being used at the University, and the possibility of utilizing that model for the Scholarship portfolio criteria.

Professor Krichbaum asked that members send her any items they would like included in the AHC Faculty Assembly on October 19th.

Professor Heller raised the question of any marketing resources that might be available within the AHC for teaching tools that have been developed by staff, such as videos or books. Some discussion followed

regarding marketing and intellectual property.

It was decided this item would be added to the agenda for the September 27th meeting.

Hearing no further business, Professor Krichbaum adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.