

PIE Council Minutes
September 10, 2004
1:30 p.m.
EDHS Room 120

Members Present: Sheila Adams, Brian Anderson, Mark Bean, Anne Balazs, Marie Byrne, Sue Coates, Lynne Curtis, Bobby Fugitt, Sam Gingerich, Linda Halbert, Terri Heath, Cheryl Hubbard, Larry Jones, Jody Kennedy, Claudia A. Limbert, Nora Miller, Jennifer Moore, Narem Reddy, Tom Richardson, Susan Soblely, Jo Spearman, Dana Vaughn, Jane Wenstrom

Members Absent: John Davis, Mandy Gray, Rebecca Kelly, Sally Pearson, Margie Vollenweider

Items Distributed: Minutes for April 23, 2004, Agenda, PIE Council 2004-2005 Membership List, PIE Council 2004-2005 Subcommittee List

Agenda Items: Approval of April 23, 2004 Minutes; Welcome of New Members; W-2009, Subcommittee 5 Response; P.S. 3538, Barbara Jones' Report, Subcommittees; IER Update, Resource Book

The minutes from the April 23, 2004 meeting were approved. It was suggested that PIE Council begin posting draft minutes on the PIE website before the minutes are approved at the next month's regular meeting. Mark Bean welcomed all of the new PIE Council members.

There were two old business items to discuss: W-2009 and Dr. Claudia A. Limbert's response to the Subcommittee 5 Report. There will be an open meeting to discuss "W-2009, A Strategic Plan for MUW" on Monday, September 20th at 1:30 p.m. in the Hogarth Student Center Auditorium. The current draft of "W-2009" can be reviewed on the PIE website at <http://www.muw.edu/pie/W2009Draft.pdf>. This draft of "W-2009" contains the ten MUW Goals that were established last spring and the strategic objectives suggested thus far to achieve each goal. Dr. Limbert wrote a response to Subcommittee 5's report on the budget process. A budget process survey was also recently administered to faculty and staff.

P.S.3538, PIE Council, addresses the formalization, composition, and purpose of PIE Council. This P.S. has to be reviewed in September of even numbered years. PIE Council reviewed the policy and made recommendations for changes. Mark Bean will compile the recommendations and submit the policy to the review process.

After her visit to campus this summer as an outside evaluator, Dr. Barbara Jones submitted her report on the university planning, institutional effectiveness, and related processes of the university. PIE Council reviewed and discussed her

findings and recommendations. In her report, Dr. Jones commended the institution on its progress in planning and assessment over the last year. The report included five recommendations. There was general consensus that most of the recommendations could be successfully implemented. One recommendation discussed was to implement a spring planning day prior to the budget period. It was suggested that one day in January each year could be set aside for unit planning/budgeting. Dr. Sam Gingerich said that he would introduce this topic for discussion at Academic Council. Additionally, PIE Council discussed perhaps moving to an 18 month planning cycle, which would give more time for this to occur.

A membership list of the new PIE Council Subcommittees was distributed. Three of the subcommittees assist in the IER review process, one of the subcommittees is involved in the budget review process, and the other subcommittee is involved in reviewing W-2009. This year, academic unit IERs will be reviewed by academic unit personnel while non-academic unit IERs will be reviewed by non-academic unit personnel. This change from last year should simplify the review process. At the next PIE Council meeting, new members will receive a PIE Council Resource Book.

The next meeting will be held on October 8, 2004 at 1:30 p.m. in Room 120 of the Education & Human Sciences Building.