PIE Council Minutes January 19, 2007

Members Present: Jason Duffey, Shaochen Yang, Eric Daffron, Robin Holliman,

Bobby Fugitt, Larry Jones, Rebecca Kelly, Marie Byrne, Richard Holden (in lieu of Twila Alpe & Senate Rep), Lynne Curtis, Brain Rock, Janie Gregg, Dave Haffly, Patricia Donat,

Nora Miller, Tom Richardson, Carla Lowery

Members Absent: Nicole Dilg, James Ward, Sally Pearson, Mark Bean, Cassie

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The minutes from November 17, 2006 were approved. Dr. Donat opened the meeting with a presentation covering fall 2006 course evaluations. On a Likerttype scale, MUW faculty members and courses overall received positive ratings from students. No significant differences were noted in most areas when results were analyzed for larger classes (30+ enrollment) or for on-line classes. Next, council members reviewed CAAP scores from fall 2006. More comparative results were available this semester which allowed MUW to compare scores by of MUW native and transfer students. Overall, MUW students score slightly below the national average in all areas. In addition, transfer students score slightly lower than native students in all subtest areas. ACT-CAAP linkage reports note lower than expected improvements among MUW students. Next, Dr. Daffron elaborated on the Ina E. Gordy Honors College, and how the program has progressed over the last 3 years. Honors program outcomes are positive with a significantly higher percentage of residential honors students remaining continuously enrolled through the sophomore year. Nora Miller updated council members on the budget outlook for this fiscal year. It is likely that the only new money that MUW will receive will be in the form of a 5% pool for salary increases. Carla Lowery presented recommendations for changes to the faculty/staff satisfaction and commencement surveys for 2007 and requested that council members review the surveys and e-mail her by February 13 with suggested changes, comments, or questions. Dr. Donat ended by informing members about the updated PIE website and the posting of Institutional Effectiveness Reports on WebCT.

The next meeting will be on Friday, February 16, 2007 at 1:30 p.m.