PIE Council Minutes January 16, 2009 1:30 p.m. Welty Boardroom

Members Present: Kristen Barnes, Brandon Newsom, Marty Hatton, Shaochen

Yang, Marie Byrne, Bobby Fuggitt, Mark Bean, Twila Alpe, Dave Haffly, Sirena Parker (for Amy Swingle), Nora Miller, Barbara Garrett, Carla Lowery, Cathy Smith, Eric Daffron

Members Absent: James Ward, Rusty King, Randy Stewart, Larry Jones, Tina

Blackwell, Cassie Derden, Perry Sansing, Gary Bouse, John

Davis, Amy Swingle

Guest: Sandra Jordan

The minutes from the November 21, 2008 meeting were approved by the committee.

Dr. Jordan provided updates on all the major parts of the MUW 20/20 planning document. The four areas addressed in this document are Unification, Identity, Recruitment and Retention of Students, and Funding. Progress has been made in all areas. This document can be found on the MUW website.

Carla Lowery reviewed the Commencement Survey, which committee members had received via email. There were some changes in names, i.e. The College of Business was changed to College of Business and Legal Studies and Southern Women's Institute will now be listed as Center for Women's Research and Public Policy. Under section 2.21 "Opportunities for practical experience" study abroad will be listed. A discussion followed concerning the possible addition of questions and rewording of others. Since the survey is given during commencement practice which is in May, the question was asked if the alumni survey could be given at the same time using multiple choice and also to avoid duplication. The possibility of giving a different survey for graduate students versus undergraduates, due to those students having a different viewpoint was also recommended. The committee felt this would be good to do, but realized it could not be done for the upcoming survey of May '09. The addition of a question concerning living on campus versus commuting was presented. It is to be listed as 1.9 on the first page of the survey. Carla informed the committee, that while most of the results of the survey can be gathered electronically, written comments have to be typed in. Recommended changes were put into a motion and approved by the committee.

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is Friday, February 20, 2009.