Student Affairs Council Minutes
January 13, 2011
Conference Call

Members Present
Donna Fishbeck, BSC
Paula Berg, DCB
Hal Haynes, DSU
Randy Fixen, LRSC
Ray Gerszewski, MaSU
Dick Jenkins, MiSU
Georgina Pullen, NDSCS
Prakash Mathew, NDSU
Bob Boyd, UND
Glen Schmaltz, VCSU
Jan Solem WSC
Michel Hillman, NDUS

Others Present
Rebecca Duben-Kalash, NDUS
Lisa Johnson, NDUS
Heather Ranck, U.S. Department of Commerce

Hillman called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

There were no corrections to the draft minutes from the December 9, 2010, SAC meeting. The minutes were, by consensus, approved as presented.

Updates
AAC – The AAC met by conference call last Tuesday. They recommended a number of academic requests.

Cabinet – Hillman reported that the cabinet met yesterday. He said that the cabinet supported the academic requests from DSU and MASU to offer limited graduate credit without much discussion. He said that those will be moving ahead to the Mission Review Task Force. There was extended discussion on the requests from DCB to offer associate degrees on the VCSU campus. The cabinet agreed to have an extended policy discussion on service delivery regions including online delivery at its retreat.

Legislative – Hillman went through the 2011 session bill tracking list. He said that he had sent this list out on listserv. The council had discussion on the bills being tracked.

NDUS Retention Summit
Hillman said that he had no further information from Dr. Tinto. He said that he would follow up with him and get suggested dates for the summit. The retention summit will likely be held during one of the first ten days of May.

NDUS Enrollment Update
Johnson said that this topic came up in AAC if campuses are seeing increased enrollments from states which we have state to state agreements with. She provided the council with undergraduate enrollments by state. She said that the data was pulled from the NDUS Fall
Enrollment Reports from 2006 to present. Johnson said that her conclusion is that the agreements themselves do not prompt additional enrollments.

**LEAP Update**
Johnson said that the fourth summit was hosted by BSC for the LEAP initiative. Their charge was to work on the final version of a constitution. Campuses were asked to bring it back to their campuses for ratification. As of now, nine campuses have ratified the constitution. The fifth summit will be hosted at NDSU. This will have an employer perspective. The date has yet to be determined. The sixth summit will be hosted by UND in the Fall 2011 with emphasis on teaching and assessment.

**StudyND**
Heather Ranck said that the Department of Commerce promotes U.S. international education overseas. It is mainly the export promotion branch of the U.S. government. The state department has offices in almost every country that promote studying in the U.S. as a concept.

Johnson said that she and several others from campuses were approached by Heather Ranck, US Department of Commerce, to develop a study ND initiative. A small group has worked on this initiative. Johnson provided some examples of what other states have developed. It was suggested by this group to produce a Web site and/or a brochure and have a collaborative international recruiting event to help attract students to ND. Johnson said that she is comfortable supporting the Web site with funds she has but uncomfortable going further with the international outreach and brochures. She didn’t sense statewide support. Johnson said that a survey will be created and sent to the campuses so that they could choose what they preferred for recruiting tools. The consensus of the council was that this is a good idea and has the potential to attract students to ND.

**Announcements**
Haynes said that DSU is sending at least four representatives to the 30th annual conference on first year experience in Atlanta on February 4-8. He said that this is a great opportunity to go visit with colleagues and find out what is new and what might be innovative and what can we do to make students first year experience a better one.

Boyd said that Dr. Lori Reesor will officially start on February 7. This will be a good opportunity to be exposed to lots of students and others fairly early. He said that he will no longer be Vice President in February. Boyd gave his genuine appreciation for the council members friendship and colleagueship. He said that he will be moving to a different office and assuming full time responsibilities of the retirement of the nickname and logo. He said he will have the same telephone number and email. Hillman asked him to come to the February meeting so that he could be honored by the council.

**Future Meetings**
The next meeting will be February 10 at BSC.