

Commission for Adult Learners

The Pennsylvania State University 301 Outreach Building University Park, PA 16802 Phone: 814-863-1316 Fax: 814-865-3810 www.outreach.psu.edu/commission

Executive Committee April 13, 2011 324 Outreach Building, University 1:00 p.m. Minutes-Draft <u>Attended</u>: Anna Griswold (Chair), Keith Hillkirk, Martha Jordan, Leslie Laing, Jane Owens, Judy Wills (Notes) Unable to attend: Ann Williams, Lori Bechtel-Wherry

- 1. Anna Griswold called the meeting to order.
- 2. The group approved minutes from March 16, 2011 as submitted by voice vote.
- 3. Discussion items from Commission meeting
 - a. Faculty Survey-
 - Discussed whether adding question asking academic discipline would be useful for survey results. Current version asks department for University Park respondents and campus location for commonwealth campuses.
 - Suggestion was made to add policy citation for Credit by Portfolio Assessment questions to keep consistent with formatting for Credit by exam.
 - Suggestion was made to develop talking points for sponsors to reference when asking for Provost permission to proceed with the survey University-wide. The points would establish the need to gain deeper understanding of adult prospects and students as a piece of data collection and set of resources offered to students to include what services are available to them as resources.
 - b. Data Reports--Keith Hillkirk suggested having Rachel Stover brainstorm during a Commission meeting to raise questions of what data/perspectives could be helpful, for example whether percentages should be stated rather than numbers for raw data.

- c. June meeting topic--Sponsors Craig Weidemann and Damon Sims are able to attend the June 8 meeting. The meeting will be a working meeting as members discuss initiatives for next year and what's next in implementing the recommendations to Faculty Senate. Martha Jordan will send copy of the informational report presented on April 28 when available.
- 4. Other updates
 - a. Martha Jordan shared email from Careen Yarnal stating that the Student Activity Fee Board was sensitive to the topic issue of activity ticket availability and price for returning adults and agreed to convene a subcommittee to examine the issue in Fall 2011.
 - b. Anna Griswold suggested asking sponsors attending the June meeting about the possibility of elevating the Commission to a Presidentially-appointed commission.
- 5. Anna Griswold adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Wills