College Council Meeting  
Joint Past/Present Members  
Tuesday, August 4, 2009  
Lake Lodge  
9:30 a.m.

Present: Chair Ms. Patricia Fogarty, Vice Chair Dr. Frank Thiel, Dr. Melvin Chambliss, Mr. Charles Craig, Mr. James Cretekos, Mr. John Hasper, Ms. Diane Martin, Mr. Joseph Pelych, and Mr. John Richardson.

Also Present: President Dr. John M. Anderson, Provost Dr. Ronald R. Rosati, Executive Assistant to the President Dr. Mary Condon, Assistant to the President Ms. Tammy Conrad, Vice Presidents Valerie Nixon and Dr. Steven Tyrell, Director of Institutional Advancement Dr. Daniel Barwick, Interim Dean John Buckwalter, Dean Austin Cheney, Dean Craig Clark, Faculty Senate Chair Ms. Karen Young, and Sr. Director of Marketing Communications Ms. Debra Root.

Excused: Mr. Ronald Nasca, Mr. Michael J. Smith, and Ms. Terri Ross.

Guests: Former Council Members: Mr. George Goetschius, Mrs. Kathleen Harrington, Mrs. Jane Jamison, Dr. James Koller, Mr. Jon Legro, Mrs. Betty Minemier, and Dr. Gerald Thorton.

Chair Patricia Fogarty called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

A. Introduction of all Council Members (Past & Present)

B. Introduction of College Administration

C. Chancellor’s visit August 18, 200
   Dr. Nancy Zimpher was appointed Chancellor effective June 1, 2009. She made a pledge to visit every SUNY campus over the summer. August 18, 2009 has been confirmed for the Chancellor’s Visit to Alfred State College.

I. Minutes of Previous Meeting
   Minutes of the last meeting, held on June 2, 2009, were presented for approval. A motion was made by Mr. James Cretekos to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Charles Craig. The minutes were approved.

II. President’s Comments/Updates
   A list of President Anderson’s activities since the last council meeting, held on June 2, 2009, was distributed in the folders for review. The College Council Summer Update, dated July 27, 2009, was also provided in the folders.
President Anderson welcomed Ms. Debra Root to the council meeting and announced her recent promotion to Sr. Director of Marketing Communications. She was also appointed to the President’s Cabinet.

A reception was held on August 3, 2009 for the renaming of the Victorian House to the Theta Gamma House. A resolution was passed by council approving the rename at the June meeting. President Anderson informed that it was a great reception with approximately eighty attending, half of them being fraternity brothers.

The Student Leadership Center will be built between Central Dining Hall and the Agriculture Science Building. The contract for the architect was recently finalized. The firm selected was William Rawn & Associates, located in Boston, Massachusetts. This firm has been named the #1 architectural firm in America by Architect Magazine, May 2009.

President Anderson invited everyone to join us at Homecoming Activities Thursday Friday, September 24 – Sunday, September 29, 2009. A draft Gold Rush 2009 Homecoming/Family Weekend scheduled was provided in the folders.

President Anderson provided a brief update on the wind energy project. The Institute for Sustainability is included in our Strategic Plan. The wind project is included under the umbrella of the institute. Empire State Wind Energy is collecting wind data for a feasibility study to place 10-15 wind towers on the college farm property and 10-15 in the community around this property.

A team of students from the School of Applied Technology with instructor Jeff Stevens, during spring break 2009 worked at the National Arboretum in Washington, D.C. to install a photovoltaic power (solar) system. This project was an outcome of our participation last June at the Bio-energy Awareness Days (BEAD). President Anderson and Dean Clark joined the group to attend the press conference and ribbon cutting ceremony at the National Arboretum in Washington, DC on Thursday, March 19, 2009. We have a five-year contract to do more work at the arboretum.

By invitation of Governor Paterson, President Anderson attended the “Governor’s Meeting of Leaders” in New York City on June 8, 2009. The topic was economic revival.

III. Vice President's Reports (Questions on reports only!)

Academic Affairs (Provost Rosati)
Provost Rosati provided an update on new programs. Three new baccalaureate programs were recently approved:

Information Security & Assurance (BTech)
Business Administration (BBA)
Human Services Management (BS)
The program proposal for a Certificate in Court Reporting and Captioning was approved and registered by the New York State Department of Education (SED) effective 5/9/09.

Three more initiatives for fall include:

- Nursing (BS)
- Organic & Sustainable Agriculture (BTech)
- Sport Management (BBA)

School of Applied Technology

The Green Laboratory ARC grant for a $150,000 contract was recently signed and construction will begin on the National Association of Home Builders green home in August 2009.

The 2010 $150,000 ARC Alternative Fuels Laboratory grant was recently rated three of eight proposals and will allow the College to acquire four hybrid vehicles; convert one to full electric and convert another to natural gas in 2010.

School of Arts & Sciences

The Nursing Department has been merged with the Physical and Life Sciences Department and is now called Physical and Health Sciences (chaired by Mark Amman). The department now consists of five programs - Coding and Reimbursement Specialist, certificate, Health Information Technology, AAS, Biological Sciences, AAS, Nursing, AAS, and Forensics, BS

The Physical & Health Science Department received donated equipment from the Drug Enforcement Agency estimated at $362,100.

School of Management & Engineering Technology

Security camera project for SET and EJ Brown buildings was completed (cameras throughout both buildings)

Professor Milton Brown submitted a federal grant proposal under the Energy Recovery Act.

Technology Services

Blackboard will be upgraded to version 9 throughout the 2009-2010 academic year.

The campus wireless upgrade to 802.11n is 95% complete. The 802.11n standard is the latest/fastest wireless network available.

We are updating classroom media systems. Classroom upgrades to be completed by fall are as follows: EJ Brown 212, 316, 414, SET 443, Orvis 110 and Ag. Science 302.
Library and Registrar
Library renovations are on target for completion by opening of school in August.

Focused Technologies was contracted to create CDs to convert PDF digital images of all our pre-Banner student transcripts. Over 50,000 transcripts will be scanned during this project, eliminating the outdated microfiche backups.

Administration and Enrollment (Vice President Nixon)
A. Construction Update

Current Project Updates
- EJ Brown entrance improvements. Contractor has started construction. Asbestos has been abated, old entryway has been demolished, and new steel has been installed. Framing, roof and trim have been installed.
- Emergency water main repairs are complete on campus. Asphalt patch in front of Burdick Hall is unacceptable and will be redone before August 10th.
- Central Dining Hall Phase II. Demolition of the downstairs office & bathroom, kitchen and server area are complete. The asbestos issue is resolved in the Kitchen area. Construction crews have been working extended hours and weekends. Soffits are installed, walls framed and sheet rocked, utility rough ins are complete, flooring is approximately 90% complete, food service equipment is arriving on site and being installed behind the flooring. Ceilings are being installed on the first floor.
- High Temperature Hot Water project schedule will be reviewed and evaluated this week for the remaining proposed work for this season. Weather has had a big impact on this project. The road is currently open for traffic. Work on the new parking and front to the Huntington Administration Building has begun this week and is scheduled to be completed by September 14, 2009.
- Administration building retaining wall renovations and railing installation is complete. Phase II will begin after the completion of the HTHW project.
- Allied Health roof project is in progress. The asbestos abatement is complete. Roof is approximately 90% complete.
- Engineering fire doors have been installed.
- Athletic Field gateway project is underway. Block is being installed (70% complete), utilities are roughed in the building, underground utilities on the site are complete, concrete floors have been poured.
- Document Center replacement doors are in and are being scheduled to be installed.
- Classroom upgrades are underway.

Upcoming Projects
- COSA contracts are in Albany. They are still under review.
- Student Union design team has been selected. William Rawn and Bergman. Albany is negotiating the program study fee at this point.
- Replacement of stairs and sidewalk on the loop road side of EJ Brown will be out for bid this month (July).
Finalizing plans for the commuter stairs this week. Out for bid the month of July.

Document center stairs. Will be out for bid in July.

**Enrollment**
Vice President Nixon provided a brief enrollment update. Our enrollment plan number is 3,430. All trends are up approximately 10%. International students have been offered scholarships where appropriate.

President Anderson spoke briefly about the study abroad program with Sorrento Lingue International Language Institute in Sorrento, Italy.

Chair Fogarty spoke briefly about the tuition increase. The State kept 90% of the tuition increase (ASC $1.8 mil for two increases). Anything that you can do in your communities to advocate for the College and SUNY regarding this issue would be greatly appreciated.

**Institutional Advancement (Dr. Daniel Barwick)**
Dr. Barwick provided a brief dashboard report. The Centennial Campaign far exceeded our expectations of $3.4 mil by raising $7.56 mil. President Emeritus Dr. William Rezak and former Board of Trustee and ASC College Council Member Mr. Erland Kailbourne were co-chairs of the campaign. They will be attending Homecoming to take part in the ceremony (check presentation) during half-time of the football game on September 26, 2009.

Mr. Charles Craig raised that issue of all college council members contributing to the College. Chair Fogarty requested that Mr. Craig provide a resolution and a motion at a future council meeting.

**A. Information Session on Friend raising**

Friendraising at Alfred State College
- Is “friendraising” really just asking for money?
  - No, there are many other ways to use your status to raise support for the college.
- Is friendraising time consuming?
  - It can be as time consuming or as efficient as you like.
- Why does ASC need friend raisers
  - It multiplies the number of effective advocates. Our current Strategic Plan calls for implementing new fundraising efforts at ASC.

**Time, Talent, and Treasure**
Helping others to bring time, talent and treasure to the campus.

How can friendraisers help?
- Introductions
  - Introduce alumni or interested advocates that can assist the college.
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- Advocacy
  Encourage prospective students to attend ASC.
- Representing the College at events.
  Invest the time to attend college events. Your presence is noticed.
- Attend College events and communicate with visitors.
  Take the time to talk to visitors and identify yourself at college events.
- Solicitations
  Money, equipment or services.

Former Council Member Mrs. Betty Minemier suggested providing the public with the facts. There often is a misconception that because we are a public institution and don’t pay taxes, that people don’t have to give. She also suggested that we make the best use of email resources to invite former council members and others to alumni and other college events.

**Student Affairs (Vice President Tyrell)**
Vice President Tyrell reported that there is an increase in students requesting to house on campus. We are looking at the possibility of tripling for the fall semester.

Residence Life, Housing, Student Life, Facilities, Procurement and the Budget offices have been working on a **residence hall makeover for Main Gate A&B**. The first stage of this remodel began this summer and will be completed sometime in the late fall semester. The remodel is being designed by interior design faculty and students, a process we hope to continue with all of the residence halls’ public areas over the next 4-5 years. It is our goal to remove the “institutional” look to these facilities and make the residential atmosphere more welcoming and comfortable for our residents.

University Police, in conjunction with the New York State Police, coordinated a **campus-wide simulated crisis (tabletop)** on June 3rd, 2009 that involved over seventy personnel from over a dozen agencies to test the Campus Emergency Response Plan.

This year alone the Greek community raised their overall GPA .21. The Greek community has worked diligently to promote scholarship in our community through the exploration of campus resources (i.e. learning center, career development). Promoting quality study habits and attempting to create an academic culture in each of our organizations has created additional leadership development opportunities for our members.

Vice President Tyrell provided a brief update on International Education. In 2007 we had 55 international students. In 2009 we now have approximately 115-120 international students. The goal is to double in the next three years.
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There were some diversity issues/incidents that led to campus conversations, and a commission was established in the spring semester. Chair Fogarty noted that we have come a long way in diversity of our campus.

A committee was established to compose an NCAA feasibility report to explore the College moving up to the NJCAA division in our sports programs. Chair Fogarty requested that this topic be added to the agenda for the next council meeting on October 7, 2009.

IV. Constituency Reports

Alumni (Ms. Diane Martin)
Ms. Diane Martin reported that the Alumni Association met on July 30, 2009. Elections were held with the following elected:

- Ms. Gail Boorman continues as President of the Board for the next 2 years.
- 1st Vice President Ms. Kandi Geibel
- 2nd Vice President Ms. Marjorie Morgan
- Secretary Ms. Joanne White
- Treasurer Mr. Gary Moore

Association of Council Members & College Trustees (Mr. John Hasper)
Mr. John Hasper reported that The Association of Council Members and Trustees (ACT) Conference will be held in Otesaga Resort Hotel in Cooperstown, NY October 23-25, 2009.

Faculty Representative (Dr. Melvin Chambliss)
Dr. Melvin Chambliss announced that Ms. Karen Young is the newly elected Chair to the Faculty Senate, replacing Mr. James Grillo.

Student Representative (Mr. Michael Smith)
Mr. Michael Smith excused from the meeting.

V. Unfinished Business
None

VI. New Business
Former Council Members Share
- Discussion on the history of the council; what was done as a council to advance the college.

Former Council member shared:

Ms. Jane Jamison noted that she felt very welcomed by the faculty when she visited the campus. There was a nice sense of comminatory with council members. She suggested that council members take the opportunity to attend the annual ACT meetings.
Dr. Koller noted that committee involvement fosters the connection with the college. He also noted that retired faculty and staff are a tremendous resource to the College.

Ms. Betty Minemier recommended that council members participate in College events and be as active in council committees as time allows.

Dr. Gerald Thorington spoke about the background of the Vet Tech program and his positive experiences serving on the College Council.

VI. Other Discussion
None

The motion was made by Vice Chair Thiel to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Diane Martin. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

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