

Provost's Council Minutes
Held: January 20, 2011

Attendance: B. Barnett, E. Daffron, S. Rosenberg, B. Langer, H. Nejad, S. Perry, L. Chakrin G. Tabback, L. Siecke, P. Rice, W. Johnston, B. Foster, P. Chang, E. Risch, B. Goldstein, J. Jeney, C. Romano, J. Morley, E. Rainforth, D. Echols Tobe.

E. Daffron called the meeting to order.

- The minutes from November 18, 2010 were approved.
- Cross listing of courses – Course titles must be the same for both courses listed, the purpose of cross listing courses is for flexibility in the curriculum.
- Discussion on appearance of cross listed courses in catalog vs Banner.
- Cross listing can not be implemented until Fall 2012.
- There must be agreement between Deans and Conveners before cross listing can occur.
- Cross listed courses will also require ARC review.

E. Daffron would like to bring this back to the February meeting after everyone has had time to review procedures.

Policy 301 – Plex -A plan to recruit more adult learners. Policy changes have already been gone over by C. Romano. There was discussion on procedures and change in requirements, as in plexing up to 16 credits. There should be flexibility for the adult student to begin the process as soon as they are admitted to Ramapo.

- L. Chakrin suggested he would like to include a priority review of PLEX process for an additional fee. C. Romano supported this idea.
- S. Rosenberg pointed out that this review would be additional work for faculty but B. Barnett noted that faculty would be compensated for their work.
- It was decided that the policy would be brought back to Deans' council and then Provosts' Council for final review.

Policy 304 – required some changes in wording, B. Barnett suggested that the policy mention the 80 max of transfer credits. The policy should have a procedure but neither need to go to the Board of Trustees for approval. E. Daffron suggested bringing the policy back in 30 days with revised procedures.

ADP Bylaws – S. Rosenberg – the American Democracy Project or ADP, involves faculty and staff from all units and seeks to achieve all college committee status. The committee can rotate -- those that hold committee positions could be considered for “service” to the college. The ADP does have an on-going budget.

J. Jeney does not encourage awarding of a flex unit to service by faculty committee members.

B. Barnett will talk further with S. Rosenberg about the ADP committee.

Request for Summary on Student Engagement

- Define student engagement
- Look at activities that are already done and what should be done to match students' development.
- There is a planned followup retreat on March 17, 2011. Ultimate goal is to develop a student engagement plan.