

Meeting began at 1:00 Attendance: Linda, Charles, Johanna, Steve, Geoff, Trish, Duff

Leadership Council (LC)

Steve Hansen:

2a) Budget meeting on Tuesday with Chairs and Directors to which we are invited: Begin a discussion about what are the priorities. For example, quality education....Then when we decide on priorities, we can figure out cuts from there.

Can we have a budget committee that faculty sit on? Answer: Having a budget committee is difficult because what about other stakeholders, would they be on the committee? They wouldn't be represented. We wouldn't want chairs responsibility to be abrogated. He says he wouldn't have a problem if he were Dean. But he'd want to work with LC directly and now with another committee it would add a layer of bureaucracy. But we doesn't want to hem in the next Dean.

LC: We want to feel like we're on in this together. The budget committee would put us in the room when budget decisions are being made. But maybe we're confused about that.

Steve: plans on holding open forums to gain information about the budget. Also the Chairs meeting, the Dean can discuss what he does there.

LC: How are budget decisions made? Can we have information?

Steve: He'll give us the budget the first week of January. But after we have the context for what our priorities are....

3a) How do Chancellor and Provost view CAS's role in the Univeristy.

3b) He's not sure. He wants to encourage us to do scholarship, teaching and service as we've always done and he believes that we are terribly creative. But he does want us to rethink curriculum, allocation of resources and so that we make ourselves more vital. We need to be responsive or we will be left behind.

He thinks we need to be innovative: Inter-college collaboration: Let's coordinate with other schools and come up with classes we can offer together...Like offering sociology of health for the health sciences.

We need structural opportunities to collaborate.

He hopes to facilitate the processes and convince faculty not to hunker down hide and harm each other.

4) LC: What can CAS Congress do to help you?

Help make sure we don't slip into siege mentality. Encourage colleagues to think a new and be innovative. As Dylan says: "If you're not being born every day you're dying." He would like to bounce ideas off of us and he would like honest reactions.

Hansen left at 2:05

- 1) We agreed to have a party January 9th with CAS Chairs, CAS UPBC members, and CAS senators to talk with other CAS leadership and build ties with each other. Party will begin at 3:00 in Peck Hall 3117. (Johanna will ask neighbor about pub but 3117 might be better). People will be asked to bring a little something to eat. Linda will set that up.
- 2) In terms of the survey the following will happen:
 - a. We asked Dean Hansen about budget committee, Response above.
 - b. Hansen agreed that communication was imperative and that all decisions would be discussed
 - c. Linda will take a stab at developing the CAS survey to uncover how budget cuts are affecting depts
 - d. Steve Tamari is going to create a fact-finding committee to help CAS understand larger University matters.
 - e. Geoff Schmidt will create an electronic forum for sharing information.
 - i. Facebook – Secret group
 - ii. Only tenure track and NTTs will be invited (not anyone above Chair)
 - iii. Geoff will write up mission for the page and LC will all be administrators.
- 3) We will talk about survey results 6-10 at the January meeting

Meeting adjourned at 2:37