

MINUTES: University Self-Study Steering Committee

DATE: September 4, 2001
3:00-5:00 PM, Room 231 Student Center

PRESENT: C. Havice (presiding), T. Birdwhistell, D. Boyd, C. Currens,
J. Hougland, K. Holland, G. Hoyt, C. Iten, P. Kelley, T. Lillich,
M. Molinaro, J. Piccoro, J. Sackett, S. Scheff, C. Todd, C. Vaughn

T. Birdwhistell called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. He gave an overview of the agenda and review procedures. For each report reviewed, we will begin with an opportunity for general observations and comments. We will then proceed to a review of specific suggestions and recommendations from the committee report. Members of the Steering Committee will be able to ask for clarification, changes, combination or elimination of suggestions and recommendations. Decisions regarding the report and the list of suggestions/recommendations made in these meetings will be final except for formatting.

Research Committee:

Discussion of the Research report and review of approximately one-half the suggestions took place at a previous meeting of the Steering Committee. Review of the remaining suggestions was completed at this meeting and began with suggestion 2-17. D. Watt, Chair of the Research Committee, discussed the list of suggestions with the Steering Committee. Since research is not an area in the SACS Criteria there are no must statements. Because of this, the findings of the committee are put forth as suggestions rather than recommendations. Some of these were combined, some eliminated. C. Currens, Self-Study Editor, made note of all changes and will incorporate these into the report.

Principles & Philosophy Committee:

T. Lillich, Chair of the Principles & Philosophy Committee discussed the report and suggestions/recommendations with the Steering Committee. Dr. Lillich noted that his report is not complete because it depends on input from other committees in order to answer the Principles & Philosophy must statements. He had questions for the Steering Committee about where some of this information could be found and for how the Steering Committee wishes to proceed in several areas. One question was with regard to how we describe the relationship between the University of Kentucky and the Council on Postsecondary Education. Another matter of discussion was development of a follow-up plan to the recommendations resulting from the self-study. Several of the Conditions for Eligibility were also discussed. Specific suggestions/recommendations were reviewed. Some were combined, some eliminated. Editorial changes were noted by C. Currens, who will incorporate these into the report.

Next Meeting :

The Steering Committee will meet September 6, 2001 in room 318 of the Patterson Office Tower. This is the Graduate School conference room. The meeting will be from 3:00-5:00PM. The Administrative Processes Committee report will be reviewed at this time.

Adjournment :

The meeting adjourned at 4:40PM.

Connie Vaughn, Recorder