

Dean's Council Notes
March 1, 2006

Diane McDonald presented a document showing which programs will be going through program reviews and major field testing for performance funding. The Dean's made some corrections as to when certain programs would be coming up. She also presented a chart of an inventory of 2005-2006 academic program proposals & TBR requests showing the status of various program proposals.

Dr Speck reported that Dr Hoppe would like each department to develop grant goals and input them into the IETS system. These grant goals should be realistic. The Deans were asked to communicate this planning to their departments. The goals will be for the 2006-2007 year.

Susan Calovini and Diane McDonald reported on the discussion they had with Anne Black and Tim Winters concerning the future of the Faculty Research Forums. Currently these forums have had terrible attendance and the committee was asked to come up with ways to increase attendance. The committee suggested that the Faculty Senate be given the responsibility to sponsor the program; that the Senate set up the committee to determine who will present; that the forum length be shortened to one hour with 45 minutes to present and 15 minutes for questions/comments. Additionally, that the department chairs be encouraged to endorse and promote the presentations. The Deans passed a motion to ask the Faculty Senate to take over responsibility for 2006-07 and if the Senate needs time to set up planning, that Academic Affairs will run it for one more year with the Senate taking over or the program dies.

Dr Hoppe decided that APSU will not pursue for 2007 getting a Governors School on campus. Perhaps the program will be proposed Summer of 2008.

Dr Pinder announced that there will be a graduate recruitment program titled "101 Great Ideas for Recruiting Graduate Students" on campus on April 7 in UC 307. This will be an all day seminar. Departments are invited to have faculty stop in for various programs during the day.

Diane Berty announced that the US Government will no longer fund the National Youth Sports Program and as a result APSU will no longer have this program which had about 250 children from ages 10-17 during the summer.