

Open Session 2 Comments
October 27, 2005

Need longer engagement sessions to address teaching strategies (this is in reference to workshops offered related to engagement; sessions need to be longer than an hour) (C)

What is the geek squad concept? (E)

Many classrooms still don't allow faculty to use technology they would like to use, i.e. VR 332 (E) (mediated classrooms are a problem; the Chancellor asked for a list of the rooms)

May need to use another classroom that is mediated

Equitable distribution of classrooms is requested; centralized scheduling may help

The SOE Dean's office needs space

Graduate education needs to be a priority (suggestion for future priority)

SOE needs to be elevated and included in planning process of polytech identity (A)

SOE can work more and better with continuing education

Online teacher certification exciting and challenging because of school credit hour production affected by offering on-line programs through continuing education; need to have "school within a school" (Chancellor agreed the wording should be changed) model. Having to move teachers to different accounts and not counting their SCH is a barrier

Certification programs are very time intensive to maintain; need to accommodate this in SCH model (B)

Challenge twofold in hard economic times; need to have everyone involved in this effort to accomplish Plan 2008 (F)

Suggestion to add "collaborative" as a descriptor in the definition (C) Kudos for this priority! (Several people commented that they liked this priority.)

Add "to enhance learning" at the end of the priority name (E)

Choose the word "enhance" rather than "create" in the definition of priority C; we already have the seeds for a culture of affirmation (C)

Function of retention to make students "comfortable" (C)

Are there efforts underway to help faculty create that environment? (C)(Chancellor's response was no; Julie said this was a function of the TLC)

May need to add professional development as an action step (comment, it is already included); student centered in-service for faculty and staff (add as an action step) (C)

Polytechs- most polytechs don't have teacher education. Hope steering committee can look at how our stakeholders will still identify teacher education and human services programs as part of a polytech (A)

More info about the polytechnic idea/initiative needed campus-wide (Chancellor responded that there would be a committee formed) (A)

In priority, indicates it will seek polytech designation by Oct 2005; this needs to be changed to allow campus-wide discussion (Chancellor responded that the date would be removed) (A)

Would "Institute of Technology" be better than polytechnic? (Chancellor's response, this is not a name change proposal) (A)

Where does SOE fit in the vision of a polytech? Do you see growth? (Chancellor's response, it is up to the creativity and planning of the faculty) (A)

Polytech could enhance science and other programs (A)

Need to consider what data are needed for accreditation (A)

Encouraged by progress on Plan 2008 (F)

Role of corporate America to dictate what happens in education (problematic); need to be vigilant to protect reputation

It is a strength of the faculty and staff to take a genuine interest in students

Need to include minority businesses and individuals on Advisory Boards (F)

Important to support minority faculty and staff on campus (Hector said to contact him) (F)

Face-to-face contact is critical in teacher education; distance education is a problem in this respect (D)

Suggestion to read "Shame of a Nation" (F)

Strongly support priority B, however, concerned that as written could be too narrow in scope; insert "supports development of programs aligned with our mission, including programs that..." (continue as written) as part of the priority name. For example, the special education concentration is an example of a program that doesn't seem to fit with this priority the way it is currently defined (B)

NCATE accreditation important for educational programs; would like assurance NCATE accreditation will be supported, including resources to accomplish this (the Chancellor agreed) (A)

Polytech-often this title means internationally that it is a 3 year institution; need to look at this issue in regard to international student recruitment; students might have the perception that Stout is a 3 year institution (A)

We would need to improve our labs to be similar to Cal Poly and others (A)

Polytech will add to our brand (A)

Put steering group together to develop the polytech idea (A)