

AQIP Scholarship Committee
"Enhancing the Campus Climate for Scholarship"

4-3-08 Meeting
LRC 111i 4:00-6:00pm

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: W. Tireman, M. Freier, A. Smentkowski, J. Leonard, A. Prus, S. Piziali

- I. Selection of Recorder
 - a. Adam Prus volunteered to record the meeting minutes
- II. Minutes from the 3-13-08 meeting were approved
- III. Updates on Ongoing Activities
 - a. Focus Groups
 - i. Mollie Freier reported that all focus groups were completed. She will compile and summarize the comments in a report. Reports will be sent to participants, notetakers, and then onto this AQIP action project committee
 - b. Time Survey
 - i. Jill Leonard reported that 79 faculty completed the survey
 - ii. Paper slips reminders were to be delivered to all faculty
 - iii. Faculty Data Collection
 1. AAUP rejected proposal to count scholarship activities from faculty evaluations
 - a. Adam Prus will write proposal for future scholarship activity data gathering for inclusion in the final committee report
- IV. Plan for the remainder of the project
 - a. Deadline for final report is August 1, 2008
 - b. Need focus group reports before end of April
 - c. Need content from sub-committees by May 9. Jill will assemble materials in a draft of the final report
 - d. Need to meet sometime in mid-July to discuss final report
- V. Permanent Advisory Committee Recommendations
 - a. Jill Leonard presented a proposal for a permanent advisory committee
 - i. University level committee, but not a senate committee
 1. Rationale: Scholarship is campus wide and is not conducted by only faculty
 - ii. Members of committee would consist of faculty, staff, and students
 - iii. Committee would recommend policies for facilitating scholarship at NMU
 - iv. Mission statement: "To facilitate research and scholarship for NMU staff, students and faculty"
- VI. University Scholars Program
 - a. Jill Leonard presented a proposal for a student scholars program
 - b. Program would be an expansion for the freshman fellows program
 - c. Cindy Prosen noted that the Freshman Fellow program offers an 88% retention rate. This University Scholars Program would be expected to offer high retention rates as well.

VII. Meeting Adjourned at 6:00p