

MEMO

To: Heidi Ross
Chairperson
School of Education Policy Council

From: Barbara Bichelmeyer
Chairperson
Long Range Planning Committee

Subject: Long Range Planning Committee
Annual Report to Policy Council

Date: April 24, 2006

Heidi,

The information you requested regarding the 2005-2006 activities of the long range planning committee is outlined below.

Number of meetings:

The LRPC held five meetings during the 2006-2007 academic year.
(Meetings were held 10/25, 11/8, 11/14, 12/6 and 3/24.)

Accomplishments:

1. Developed process for the review of IU's position on sponsoring charter schools.
2. Made recommendations to Agenda Committee for task force to complete the process for reviewing IU's position on sponsoring charter schools.
3. Developed process for 2006-2007 LRPC to take on SOE Retreat planning, implementation and evaluation.
4. Made recommendations to Agenda Committee for 2006 Retreat them and task force to plan the retreat.
5. Provided input to Agenda Committee regarding SOE faculty concerns about service committee overload.

Issues discussed:

- IU's position on sponsoring charter schools
- SOE retreat planning
- Faculty service overload in the School of Education

Activities undertaken:

- Developed process and identified task force members to revisit IU's position on sponsoring charter schools
- Considered what LRPC role should be in future SOE retreat planning
- Discussed faculty service overload in the School of Education

Pending issues / activities:

1. Awaiting final report from Charter Schools Task Force
2. Will work with 2006 Retreat Planning task force to implement recommendations from retreat and monitor the implementation activities, as well as to plan all future SOE retreats.

Action items to be considered by Policy Council 2006-2007:

- PC should respond to the Charter Schools Task Force report
- PC should officially assign to LRPC responsibility for future SOE retreat planning, implementation and monitoring.

Please let me know if you and other members of the policy council need further information from me to complete this report.

Respectfully,

Barb Bichelmeyer