The OUS Provosts’ Council met on November 3, 2005 from 12 noon to 3:00 p.m. in Room 511 of the Urban Center at Portland State University.

Attendees: Dave Woodall, Chair, OIT; Lorraine Davis, UO; Roy Koch, PSU; John Miller, EOU; John Moseley, UO; Earl Potter, SOU; Sabah Randhawa, OSU; Jem Spector, WOU; Bob Veirea, OHSU (for Lesley Hallick); Maureen Sevigny, IFS; George Pernsteiner, Susan Weeks, and Helen Stampe, OUS.

1. Chancellor’s Report
   George Pernsteiner reported on several issues:

   **Identity Theft.** A task force will be established to look at privacy issues related to identity theft; Mark McCambridge, OSU, will chair. The provosts are asked to contact Mark if they have someone from their campus who should be in this group.

   **Legislative Session.** A document will be available soon regarding requirements from the legislative session. Some will be campus-specific and others may apply to multiple campuses. A legislative concepts schedule will soon be available for presidents and provosts. Those concepts not initiated by the Board should be submitted for review by OUS General Counsel by December 19.

   **Textbook Costs.** Sabah Randhawa reported that the ASOSU president is to meet with the OSU Faculty Senate on potential faculty action related to the rising cost of textbooks. Sabah will report back to the provosts on the outcomes of this meeting.

   **IFS Report.** The Council raised concerns about the report developed by Interinstitutional Faculty Senate (IFS), *Academic Quality*, which is to be presented to the Board. The Council had not received an advance copy and, therefore, could not provide feedback at the time. *Update: The Council met with IFS Executive Committee via teleconference on November 28th to review the report and provide preliminary comments.*

2. Board Long-Range Planning
   Susan Weeks reported on the OUS Research Council, proposed as an advisory council to the Board for research issues and to promote collaboration in research within OUS and with outside entities. Discussion was held on the reporting line and the OUS staffing of the Council. Susan also reported and provided a handout on the Board’s proposed vision statements with sample goals and benchmarks in four areas: educated citizenry, opportunity for Oregonians, high quality programs, and economic benefits. This document is being reviewed with the presidents and the Board. The Board will hold a December Planning Retreat.
3. **Approval of October Minutes and November Agenda**
   The minutes of the October 6, 2005 meeting were approved. The meeting agenda was approved as provided.

4. **OUS Provosts’ Council Charge**
   The Council reviewed proposed revisions to the Provosts’ Council charge. They made additional suggestions for the final draft. Further review will be needed before it is submitted to OUS General Counsel for review, as required prior to recommending Board action.

5. **K-16 Alignment Issues**
   Dave shared a document from the Joint Boards on K-16 activities (e.g., alignment, adequacy of educational standards, requirement assessments). The Council requested that Dave respond to the request on behalf of the Provosts’ Council.

6. **Joint CIA/Provosts’ Council Meeting**
   The Council discussed the draft *Excellence and Delivery Productivity (EDP) Work Plan* handed out at the joint meeting earlier that day. Council members raised concerns that handling each of the goals one at a time would be potentially time consuming and difficult to achieve. It was suggested that the Council review the document and confer with Gretchen Schuette about processes and strategies for faculty engagement. It was agreed that members of the Council would meet with Gretchen in the next two weeks.
   Update: Dave Woodall, Earl Potter, and Lorraine Davis met with Gretchen Schuette on November 16th.

7. **Update on Education Pathways**
   Yvette Webber-Davis reported on Oregon’s Education Pathways Project. It has three primary goals: successful transfer of courses from Oregon community colleges into four- and five-year public and private teacher preparation programs; improving academic and career advising; and increasing the number of highly qualified teachers and students of color in the teacher pipeline. These goals support and align with SB 342 and other legislation. The OUS Colleges of Education will continue to be involved in the project.

8. **EOU Campus Report**
   John Miller gave an informal update on the implementation of the Master of Business Administration (MBA) program at EOU. The first cohort of 24 started January 2005; 23 are expected to graduate in 2006. The second cohort of 15 began fall 2005. The third cohort will begin fall 2006. The majority of the students come from LaGrande, Pendleton, and Ontario. John discussed the number of faculty supporting the program. Over the past two years, EOU has funded four new faculty positions; two at the master’s level for undergraduate instruction and two additional faculty to support the graduate program. In addition, EOU has established a College of Business and is currently searching for a Dean of Business. John also reported that EOU’s president has recently signed an Memorandum of Understanding with the Academy of International Business of Kazakhstan to facilitate faculty and student exchanges in the business area.
9. **Other Items**
   - UO will submit a Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree proposal for review at the December meeting.
   - OHSU will bring to the January or February meeting an update on significant changes to the Nursing degree being planned with the Oregon Consortium for Nursing Education.
   - Sabah proposed inviting Paul Primak to provide an annual update to the Provosts’ Council on the OUS International Programs. Dave indicated that we could do this at the January meeting.

10. **Next Meeting**
The next meeting of the Provosts’ Council will be held by teleconference on December 8, 2005 from 10:00-11:00 a.m. The agenda will be focused on review of academic programs.

*Prepared by H. Stampe / Reviewed by D. Woodall*