

Values Commitment Steering Team Meeting Minutes
03/13/2014

Committee members in attendance were Bob Sitler, Michael Branton, Leila Roach, Lynn Schoenberg, and Rina Arroyo.

Rina reported that she spoke with Chris Kandus regarding a protocol or process for co-curricular programs to follow that either support or venture into the curricular arena. Chris reported that he and Beth Paul have been discussing this and are working on a process for developing the protocol.

Rina and Bob talked about their conversations with Bill Noblitt who is editor of the Stetson Magazine. The next issue will be centered on values, and Bob is writing an article based on his role as chair of the Values Council Steering Team. Rina spoke with Bill and suggested individuals he should interview to present a balanced issue in regard to the many generations who will be reading the magazine. It was suggested that Bill talk with Kevin Berstler with the Secular Student Alliance so that he has that perspective as well.

The Values Day keynote speaker is Vincent Pizzuto, Ph.D., who is an associate professor of New Testament and Chair of the Department of Theology and Religious Studies at the University of San Francisco. Bob is going to ask Wendy for the topic of the keynote address. Leila will then send a faculty/staff announcement calling for faculty and staff to submit program proposals for the day and asking faculty to consider including Values Day in their syllabi.

The group agreed that it is important for us to provide on-line updates on past proposals that the group submitted to the president's cabinet. By next meeting all members will have updates as follows:

Rina for cultural credit and values fellows
Michael for academic excellence
Lynn for nutrition
Leila for spirituality/religion
Bob for diversity

Bob recommended that we all try to attend the upcoming faculty meeting on March 21 at noon in the Stetson Room. Beth Paul shared with him that the new version of the strategic map with a focus on inclusive excellence will be unveiled at the meeting.

The group had a short discussion on VCST member succession. The steering team is hoping to know soon who new members will be, so that there can be some overlap between the current members rotating off and the new members.

Meeting adjourned.

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