The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m.

MINUTES
Minutes from the September 12, 2012 meeting were approved unanimously.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

- A big announcement is scheduled for next Monday (10/22/2012) that he thinks will be very positively received by community.
- Groundbreaking for Polisseni Center is Friday. Another $1.2 million has recently been raised for this project.
- Institute Hall, where biomedical engineering, chemical engineering, and a green data center will be located, is on schedule for December opening.
- The building is almost entirely usable space and there are many research spaces on the top floor.
- The Golisano Institute for Sustainability building is also on track to be completed in December. GIS will be a net contributor to our energy needs and will include a solar array on the roof, a geothermal power source, a wind turbine, and a fuel cell powered by natural gas.
- Rosica Hall is going up quickly; in addition to the Slaughter Hall addition for CHST/IHST, these are the last major construction project on campus.

Q. Will there be any use for biomass energy in Institute Hall?

A. Not in that facility. In the planning stages, we originally considered running a turbine powered by methane from a local landfill but numbers didn’t work; largely because of amount already being siphoned off for other uses.

BRICK CITY HOMECOMING WEEKEND UPDATE (PDF is posted on IC DML site)
Michelle Seger, Managing Director of Special Events and Conferences

- The men’s hockey game sold out Tuesday. The President’s Alumni ball is at capacity. Alec Baldwin is predicted to sell out. See presentation for details.
- Dr. Destler had the following additional feedback regarding the upcoming event:
• There is no headlining comedian this year. Finding a comedian for Brick City Homecoming has been challenging for planners due content, scheduling and complaints.
• Thanks to Michelle and her whole staff for their efforts.

OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE OF EXTERNALLY FUNDED PROJECTS (PDF is posted on IC DML site)
Dr. Jeremy Haefner, Provost

• Dr. Destler commented that at some point we need to examine whether we need the oversight committee any more. The committee comes from a time when the CIA was very active on campus, and people were very concerned. In the future, this may be a policy change we wish to make.
• The oversight committee for externally funded projects roster was approved unanimously.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES (Ppt presentation is posted on IC DML site)
Taylor Deer, President and Sarah Thomas, Vice President, SG

• SG wants to be seen as a central hub for student innovation on campus.
• SG wants to show support to campus organizations and will invite student groups to show and tell at SG meetings.
• This year, any event that is funded by SG will have SG members in attendance.

Other projects:
• “ASKSG”-new innovation where students can text questions to SG and will receive text answers.
• Second TE3 bus is now available to go downtown.
• SG is working on offering a defensive driving course because many students don’t understand why they are getting tickets; this could help them better understand parking rules and encourage safe driving.
• SG has helped to collect student questions for the upcoming Horton Speaker Alec Baldwin.
• New MSO: Off-Campus and Student Apartment Association (OCASA) is now on-campus and apartment student association. The Association for Commuter Engagement (ACE) will represent students who live off-campus.
• SG senators are working with associate deans to see how semester change will impact their programs and colleges.

Q. Club information is not readily available online or easily accessible, could SG post that information (which they collect) online?
A. Yes, they will make that information available.

Q. Do you envision any student-owned companies to come from the SG innovation projects?
A. Yes, we envision more businesses will be started at RIT as a result of the project. There is also potential for sharing solutions with other colleges who may be experiencing similar challenges and potentially using that as a source of revenue.

• Dr. Destler was impressed with SG plans for this year and the range of activities they have in mind.
ENROLLMENT UPDATE *(Ppt presentation is posted on IC DML site)*

Jim Miller, Senior Vice President for Enrollment Management & Career Services

Dr. Destler-The University has many strategic goals; among them are more students, higher quality students, greater gender balance and increased ethnic and racial diversity. Every year we have made progress. Jim Miller reported.

- The outcomes have been very positive for the end of last year and the beginning of this year
- Dr. Miller reviewed institutional goals-see presentation
- External challenges: price sensitivity, government policies, demographic shifts
- Internal Challenges: calendar change, SIS implementation, tuition dependency
- RIT enrollment history from 1994-present reviewed

Fall 2012 enrollment

- Undergraduate enrollment and graduate enrollment numbers were reviewed -see presentation
- Enrollment by college (graph) NTID segment includes only those students registered at NTID; it does not include students cross-registered in other colleges of RIT.
- Enrollment in campuses abroad increased by 14%

Recruitment and Admissions

- Record annualized 28,062 applications were received
- More applications equals greater selectivity, ability to reduce admission rate, and still increase freshman class by 2.5%
- International student enrollment is at an all-time high
- Dr. Miller reviewed retention and graduation projections -see presentation
- Dr. Destler: Many schools are struggling to maintain enrollment numbers, RIT is seeing more applicants.

Q. Will changing to semesters impact the cycle of enrollment significantly as there will be different opportunities for co-op, etc?

A. Multiple entry points is usually a critical part of enrollment at RIT. For example, foreign students that don’t get visa for fall will not wait until next fall to enter; they will enter in spring semester instead.

Q. Is there an upper limit for the number of students RIT can support due to space restrictions?

A. No, there is an “ideal size” used for projections which is usually accurate.

Q. I don’t see the Center for Multidisciplinary Studies in the pie chart.

A. Programs like CMS, Project Lead The Way, etc. which have about a 1,600 head count, are mostly part-time, and fall under the provost, instead of being put into a college artificially.

Q. 33% seems to be the number that female enrollment has been stuck at for decades. Could you talk more about this?
A. STEM has gone from 60% to 70+% of enrolled freshman. 37% is the target based on program portfolio. Golisano has the biggest challenges with gender diversification and is the fast growing college by percentage.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR (*Ppt presentation is posted on IC DML site*)
Joe Loffredo, Registrar

- Highlights from “2014-2015 Academic Calendar” were reviewed and discussed.
- Dr. Destler reminded the Committee that the calendar needs to be approved by Institute Council by January 2013. The governance groups should review and send feedback to Joe prior to the January meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.