

**PIE Council Minutes  
February 20, 2009  
1:30 p.m.  
Welty Boardroom**

Members Present: Brandon Newsom, Marty Hatton, Shaochen Yang, James, Ward, Johanna Price (for Marie Byrne), Rusty King, Randy Stewart, Mark Bean, Larry Jones, Dave Haffly, Perry Sansing, Nora Miller, John Davis, Barbara Garrett, Jennifer Moore (for Carla Lowery), Cathy Smith, Eric Daffron

Members Absent: Kristen Barnes, Marie Byrne, Bobby Fuggitt, Twila Alpe, Tina Blackwell, Amy Swingle, Cassie Derden, Gary Bouse, Carla Lowery

The minutes from the January 16, 2009 meeting were approved by the committee.

Nora Miller gave an update on Resource Planning Task Force. This group was assigned with making recommendations for strategies for the 2009 shortfall and also into 2010. With the help of all the departments, the Task Force met the goal with some to spare. It is still very important for everyone to “tighten up” for any further reductions which may need to be made. The economic stimulus package was also discussed. It is uncertain at this point of the governor’s discretion on how the package will be distributed. The governors have 120 days to accept or reject the package which would be June, which means proceeding with the current cuts. If all goes as hoped, we could begin 2010 at the same point as 2009.

Nora also gave an update on the Disaster Resistant University Planning team. Evidence must be given that we have gone through this process. The goal is to have a draft to MEMA by June.

Eric Daffron gave an update on SACS Fifth-Year Interim Report. This is the only regional accrediting body that did not require a five-year reaccreditation/reaffirmation report/visit. Instead, this was done every ten years. SACS moved us to the 2014 reaffirmation class, so our Fifth-Year Interim Report will be initiated this year, and it appears due next year. Out of 44 institutions reviewed in the 2013 Track A institutions, 32 are being monitored, 13 with more than 4 areas cited. The last reaffirmation was under old guidelines. There are now new guidelines. It is not simply a matter of having policies or procedures, but more importantly that it can be proven that policies and procedures are actually being followed.

The last item of business was to review Policy PS#3301, Allocation and Use of Information Technology Resources. The recommendation was made that the following changes be made: (1) Author changed to read Originator; (2) Computing Services to read Director of Computing Services (ITS); (3) Review Date changed to Every 3 Years. A motion was made and carried to make these changes.

The meeting was adjourned until the April meeting.