Missouri S&T Retention Committee Meeting
October 22, 2009
8:15-9:15 AM

Members Present: Harvest Collier, Tyrone Davidson, Larry Gragg, Sunnie Hughes, Rance Larsen, F. Scott Miller, Rachel Morris, Lea-Ann Morton, Stephen Raper, Carol Smith, Brad Starbuck, Lynn Stichnote, Laura Stoll, Summer Young

Members Absent: Jay Goff, Mary Ellen Kirgan, C.R. Thulasi Kumar, Kristi Schulte, Amiel Weerasinghe

Guests: Alissa Fleck (for C.R. Thulasi Kumar)

I. Review and Approval of Minutes (from the 10-8-09 meeting)
The committee reviewed the minutes from the 10-8-09 meeting. Two minor corrections were made. A motion was approved to accept the minutes as corrected.

II. New Business

A. Tactical Plan Action Items Discussion

The committee continued its discussion of the tactical plan action items relative to the ongoing strategic/tactical planning committee process for adopting this year’s tactical plan. Lynn Stichnote provided clarification of the proposed action item regarding student loans.

Harvest Collier provided an update on the “Intrusive Intervention” project. He shared that the project was moving forward and that students were responding to requests to take the LASSI. He related that students that took the LASSI were provided information on best practices to assist their needs relative to their LASSI results.

Scott Miller shared that Patty Frisbee/Trish Watson may have an interest to assist with the Retention Committee Working Group 2
action item to centralize the parent and family support/outreach services to improve communication and campus engagement. Their interest is predicated on the availability of resources to support the effort, however.

Larry Gragg reported that the Strategic/Tactical Planning Committee had adopted recommended objectives/goals/action items with revisions during the committee’s October 21, 2009 meeting. He shared that a new goal was adopted by the Strategic Planning Committee to conduct a new capacity study by a committee led by Jay Goff.

There was general discussion about the recommended action item to establish a central information for student academic support services and the action item to enhance academic advising support and training.

Harvest Collier encouraged that the working groups continue to devise needs/strategies to move forward.

III. Next Meeting:
November 5, 2009- 8:15-9:15 AM, Silver & Gold room, Havener Center

The meeting was adjourned.