I. Review minutes of last meeting (2:00-2:10)

Diane introduced the student representative Mike Sjoblom from the Student Affairs office. Robin Fautley stated that item number two in the previous minutes needed to be modified to say a “slight majority of colleges have converted to the compressed calendar” because the number mentioned was 51%. Needed grammatical edits were cited. The minutes were approved.

II. Diane: Update the committee on the Compressed Calendar Committee Task Force (2:10-2:40)

Diane reminded the committee of Mary Pierce’s attendance and input at the last meeting. Diane announced that she went to the last Compressed Calendar committee meeting and reviewed the various benefits and challenges of the compressed calendar. Diane mentioned that the task force is currently made up entirely of faculty members. Diane suggested that there should be some representation from Student Services and computing services staff. Janet explained that the current task force is exploring the concept of a compressed calendar and that it is indeed a faculty-only initiative. She further stated that once the concept is fully explored and it is decided that the initiative can move forward, wider participation beyond faculty would be included. Abe and Janet stated how many individuals have jumped to conclusions on how a compressed calendar would be implemented. Abe discussed that the parties who determine the implementation of the compressed calendar would need to look at what is best for the students and for the institution. Mike asked if there would be student input on the Compressed Calendar Committee and it was confirmed that there would be.

III. Discussion of the challenges of the Compressed Calendar transition (2:40-2:50)

Diane requested that the members of the Compressed Calendar committee to keep the Academic Calendar committee informed if there may a delay in implementation.

IV. Review the 2011-2012 Calendar – Diane’s report on SRT needs (2:50-3:00)

Diane stated that there are only 11 weeks for the summer 2011 term in the current calendar and that there needs to be at least 12 weeks for SRT according to James Newman. The committee agreed that the following changes needed to be made: The Fall semester would start on August 22. Finals will be Dec.17th -23rd. Changes will be made to all appropriate deadline dates. A correction to the teaching days form was found where there was 16 teaching days for Mondays and Wednesdays. There was discussion about the challenges of having a final on Friday, Dec 23rd and the possible scheduling options. Diane asked the committee if one or two options of the 2011-2012 calendar should be made and then presented to constituents. The committee agreed that the current draft (after editing) is the only one that will work. After the appropriate edits are made, one option will be sent to constituents. Diane stated that Mitch would recreate the current working draft of the 2011/2012 calendar with agreed upon changes and that he would make the appropriate changes to the teaching days calendar.

Meeting ended at 2:45