Steering Committee Minutes 6-17-03, continued 6-18-03

Those present at either the Tuesday meeting (6-17, 10 am to noon) or the Wednesday meeting (6-18, 10 am to noon) or both, in Walker Science 160, included the following: Bill Deeds, Terri Curry, Mary Leida, Lillian Lopez, Steve Nimmo, John Pinto, Tom Rice, Beth Sibenaller, and Shari Tramp.

Steve Nimmo chaired the meeting, following an agenda that was previously distributed by e-mail to Steering Committee members. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Suggestions for the chapter on Criterion 3 were continued. The section on the graduate program was delayed until a time when its author (Glenna Tevis) could be present.

Several suggestions were made to make the text related to Criterion 3 more evaluative. Some additional sources of data were identified, including information on trends in dollars spent to support faculty development and the number of faculty who receive sabbaticals compared to the number who apply.

When possible lists (like the names of student organizations) will be placed in evidence with brief evaluative comments appearing in the text.

Once comments related to Criterion 3 were concluded, the focus moved to Criterion 4.

The Steering Committee recommended that some initiatives that did not work should be mentioned; the fact that they were evaluated and discontinued shows good use of resources. Some examples here include the old Point Persons Group and the Cycling Club. Tom Rice volunteered to provide additional trend data on the number of alumni who contribute to the college and changes in their average dollar contributions.

Future meetings (both in Walker Science 160):

Tuesday, June 24, 10 am to noon Wednesday, June 25, 1 to 3 pm