## Minutes of October 17, 2014 Meeting of Senate Growth and Development Committee October 31, 2014

**Attendance**: Robert Bird, Tracie Borden, Jake Broccolo, Joseph Crivello, Shanna Graham, Kathy Hendrickson, Erin Mason, Daniel Mercier, Andrew Moiseff, Larry Renfro, Lyle Scruggs, Faquir Jain; Guest Student: Cody Lewin.

Sally Reis shared the Academic Plan (copy attached) and distributed copies to the members. Some highlights include \$80M in research grants, 94% freshmen retention on Storrs campus, no enrollment increase if NextGen is not fully funded, lower retention rates at regional campuses, Storrs SAT 1234.

F. Jain noted the issue of AAU membership and provided a copy from the April 2014 G&D report which outlines needed increases in graduate enrollment and R&D expenditures. S. Reis said that she would send us the analysis performed by Provost Choi (see June 20, 2014 copy).

Members discussed ways to improve situation at regional campuses. A. Moiseff noted the competition and fundamental issues of quality. In terms of funding TAs, it was done at the Dean's level.

The discussion shifted to Tier 1, 2, and 3 proposals under the Academic Plan, and L. Renfro suggested involving external reviewers in the evaluation process.

S. Reis informed us that the hiring of CFO as a replacement of Richard Gray is in the final stage.

This was followed by discussion on establishing focused entrepreneurial programs to enhance graduate enrollment. Profession Science, Puppetry and other programs were noted.

L. Scruggs enquired about the data from regional campuses and how do they differ from Storrs. In addition, he asked if we keep track of GAP students. GAP student data and transfer students numbers were provided by S. Reis. It was noted that significant numbers of regional students fail to graduate.

The meeting adjourned at 11:07am.

Fall meetings: Thursday, September 4, 2014 at 11:00am Hall Building, Room 123.

Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup> 2014 at 10:00am, Hall Building, Room 123.

Friday, October 17, 2014 at 10:00am, Hall Building, Room 123.

Sally Reis, Vice Provost will discuss Academic Plan implementation.

October 31st 2014, 10:00am Kent Holsinger, Hall Building, Room 123.

November 14, 2014, 10:00am Jeff Seeman, Hall Building, Room 123. 10:30am Lawrence Silbart and Steven Suib

December 5, 2014, 10:00am Joshua Newton, Hall Building, Room 123. 10:30am Laura Cruickshank and Beverly Wood.

**Growth and Development Committee Members:** Reda Ammar, Marcy Balunas, David Benson, Robert Bird, Dianne Beer, Tracie Borden, Jake Broccolo, Joseph Crivello, Masha Gordina, Shanna Graham, Kathy Hendrickson, Kathryn Libal, Jeanne Martin, Erin Mason, Daniel Mercier, Andrew Moiseff, James Renfro, Lyle Scruggs, Dana Wilder, Faquir Jain