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Last spring a resolution calling for the College to adopt a policy making the campus tobacco free was presented to both the Faculty Senate and the Student Government Association. The resolution was narrowly approved by the Student Government Association, but was narrowly defeated by the Faculty Senate. At the August 1 & 2 meeting of the Board of Trustees, the Board voted unanimously to charge President Benson with developing a policy to make the campus tobacco free and to present that policy to the Board at their October meeting.

President Benson, Chief of Staff Brian McGee and the executive team have worked to draft a proposal which will be shared with the faculty and staff next week. The President wants feedback on the proposal before a final version is presented to the Board in October. He has assured me that there will be a sufficient lead time before any policy goes into effect and that the College will support smoking cessation programs for faculty and staff.

Please be on the lookout for an email early next week regarding the draft policy, read it and provide feedback to the President’s office.

Library Dean Search

The search for a new library dean will begin again this fall semester. Last year’s search resulted in two candidates being brought to campus and an offer was extended to one of the candidates. Unfortunately the candidate elected to remain at his current institution. The search committee will begin work on a new search very soon and, according to Dr. Fran Welch, chair of the search committee, they hope to be able to conclude the search by the end of the fall or early spring. The committee is comprised of CofC faculty and staff as well as members of the Friends of the Library and members from both The Citadel and MUSC. The libraries of all three institutions work closely together and so both Academic Affairs and the members of the search committee felt it important to have representatives from those institutions on the committee.

John White, who served as Interim Dean of the Library last year, has elected to return to his position as Associate Dean for Special Collections and Digital Initiatives. Claire Fund, Director of Administrative Services for the Library, has been named Director of the Library this year.

Bachelor of Professional Studies - Update

On August 2, the College was notified that CHE had approved our new Bachelor of Professional Studies program. The Bachelor of Professional Studies program is a degree completion program designed to help adults who have some college credits, but have not yet earned a bachelor’s degree and who, often because of work and/or family, cannot realistically pursue an undergraduate degree program here on our downtown campus. To be admitted to the Bachelor of Professional Studies program a student must be an adult learner (age 25 or older) with either an earned Associates Degree or a minimum of 60 hours of coursework from other institutions that can be accepted for transfer credit. The BPS program will be offered through the North Campus and will feature courses taught in a traditional style as well as online courses and courses that are hybrids. Courses may be offered on different schedules with some courses meeting on Saturdays and others meeting at night or very early morning hours.

I spoke with Godfrey Gibbison, Dean of the North Campus, about the program and he is, understandably, very excited about it. Because we did not receive final CHE approval until the first of August, there was little opportunity to get the word out for the fall semester.

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Despite this, we have five students enrolled in the program this fall and the staff at the North Campus has met with dozens of prospective future students who are currently taking courses at Trident to fulfill the admissions requirements. At this time it is hard to predict how many may be enrolled in the spring, but Godfrey Gibbison believes we will see a significant number of applicants for next fall.

In addition to offering courses for the BPS program, the North Campus continues to offer a variety of core and general education courses for CofC students. Last semester 550 students took courses at the North Campus with just over 200 of those students taking all of their courses at the North Campus.

SACS 5th Year Report

Last spring the College submitted our 5th Year Interim Report to SACS regarding the progress we are making related to our First Year Experience program and our compliance with 17 selected standards of the Principles of Accreditation by which we are reviewed for continued accreditation. The report that the College submitted outlined a number of areas in which our assessment data show we are doing a very good job as well as areas we have identified that need improvement and the measures we are taking to address those needs. The work that everyone provided last year – faculty and staff – paid off.

This summer the College received notice from SACS that our report was accepted with no need for additional information. The acceptance of our report with no need for additional information was welcome news given the fact that approximately 40% of all 5th Year Interim Reports require additional information, explanation and data before they are approved by SACS. Congratulations and Thank You to everyone who contributed to the work that went into this report. Our work on assessment of our overall institutional effectiveness will continue this year and every year, but we are laying a solid foundation from which this work will grow.

Gender Resource Center

Over the past sixty years, colleges and universities across the country have developed resources to support their faculty, staff and students regarding issues of gender and sexuality. As part of the College’s Diversity Plan that was approved in spring 2012, funding was designated for the establishment of a Gender Resource Center here. Dr. Hollis France was named Interim Director of the Center in January 2013 and has been working with a group of student interns to identify specific short- and long-term goals for the Center.

The mission of the GRC is to foster a sense of community, improve gender relations and equity, and to facilitate awareness of sexual and gender diversity on campus. According to France, the main roles of the Center will be to improve the campus climate, connect members of the campus community with essential information, provide appropriate referrals for individuals or groups and to offer various non-credit educational programs to make the campus more aware of topics pertaining to gender and sexuality as well as act as an advocate for the improvement of campus policies and practices.

The GRC is hoping to have an actual location for the Center sometime during the 2013-14 academic year. Once the Center has a physical location and is staffed, an announcement will be made to the campus. Meanwhile France and the student interns are working to secure a lactation space on campus. Inquiries about, or suggestions for, the GRC should be directed to Hollis France in the Political Science department.
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University of Tübingen, Germany;
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University of California, Irvine, Ph.D.
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Jessica Bower
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College of Charleston, B.A.
Carnegie Mellon University, M.A.
Areas of specialization: cultural economics

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Teacher Education
University of Tennessee, B.A., M.A.
Georgia State University, Ph.D.
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Art History
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University of Cambridge, M.Phil
Ohio State University, Ph.D.
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Hispanic Studies

Wesley Dudgeon
Health & Human Performance

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**International Studies**  
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