## **DEC Evaluation Survey Results, Spring 2013**

#### **Overall Effectiveness**

Table 1: Overall, how would you rate the effectiveness of the committee in meeting its charge? (n = 11)

Very effective	36.4%
Somewhat effective	36.4%
Somewhat ineffective	18.2%
Very Ineffective	0.0%
DK/NA	9.1%

#### Feedback regarding charge and membership

- The Council is used mainly to vet information, and review the upcoming Governing Board Docket. This Council is not referred matters from the colleges or District for collaboration. The main source of decision making is Chancellor's Cabinet, President's Cabinet, and District Services Managers Meeting. The only time true collaboration/shared governance is followed is when Policy/Procedures are reviewed.
- 2. I believe the current DEC Charge is of the appropriate size and composition to be effective and incorporates member from all reaches of the District.
- 3. The charge and membership were recently considered as part of the Governance handbook update. They both still are fine.
- 4. It would have helped to have the charge reprinted with the question! I'll take the time to look it up now; however, it's good to have it do differentiate between our impression of the charge (since we're not reading it regularly) and what the charge actually is. Upon looking up the charge & membership it seems fine.
- 5. Not many people say anything of substance at the meeting. It seems like it is a one-way dialog.
- 6. I'm new to the committee, so I don't feel I have enough knowledge to comment on this.
- 7. DEC appears to have the appropriate charge and composition.
- 8. I feel the charge and the membership are both comprehensive and give everyone a voice

# Feedback regarding committee meetings

- 1. Since the Council is mainly used for vetting information, and not collaboration, it seems as though most of the information could just be provided in written form instead of necessitating a meeting to review as a group.
- 2. I think the length of the DEC meeting is just a bit too short and should be 2 hours long (instead of the current 1.5 hours) so the committee can get through it's agenda without being rushed or having to table items to the next meeting or discussion via e-mail. The minutes have been accurate but on several occasions are not ready until just hours before the next meeting, which makes it difficult to review prior to the meeting. This would also go for most of the agenda items being posted on the intranet therefore hard to review and print out before the meeting.
- 3. Committee meetings are action packed and very productive. Scheduling a brief break between DEC and the following meeting (DSP&BC) recently has been helpful.
- 4. All of the above suggestions about the meetings seem appropriate. One improvement might be to better identify next steps after discussions and have a way to bring the topics back for updates about follow-up when appropriate.
- 5. ok
- 6. Yes, the length of the meetings is appropriate, and it appears the committee uses its time well.
- 7. Sometimes the meetings go over in time, but for the most part there seems to be enough time and sufficient structure for the meetings to proceed effectively.
- 8. The length of the meetings is appropriate, minutes are accurate time is utilized well.

## Feedback regarding committee participation

- 1. There is minimal participation, meeting is more of a presentation. You can tell that the leaders do not feel comfortable having a collaborative conversation in that venue.
- 2. YES, over all, I do feel valued as a member of the committee. Everyone comes prepared, for the most part but again, many of the agenda items are not posted early enough to be review and printed out prior to the meeting. Follow-up is very good.
- 3. This committee has been very interactive we don't have any problem with constituents not participating.
- 4. Yes, I feel valued. I think we could be more open to questions to be sure everyone is on the same page about definitions, acronyms, etc. Otherwise, people new to DEC can be left in the dust during discussions.
- 5. I guess so
- 6. Yes.
- 7. I feel my participation is encouraged and valued. Sometimes, there is follow-up that is missed but this is not the norm and everyone's best efforts seem to be at play.
- 8. The follow-up seems to be complete for the most part I feel listened to and a valuable member of the team.

### **Respect of Stakeholders**

Table 2: Our committee has the respect and support of key stakeholders within the district. (n = 8)

Strongly Agree	50.0%
Somewhat Agree	50.0%
Somewhat Disagree	0.0%
Strongly Disagree	0.0%
DK/NA	0.0%

### **Other Suggestions for Improvement**

- I. N/A
- 2. none thanks
- 3. The last question made me think about what we could do to improve buy-in from stakeholders. More communication is always better; I wonder-- maybe a quarterly email with a brief summary and reminding folks about the links on the intranet?
- 4. None at the moment. Perhaps after having spent more time on the committee, I will be in a position to provide constructive feedback. At this point, I'm listening and learning.
- 5. None.
- 6. I do not.