

November 7, 2005 Faculty Senate Report

- **CPE Budget Update**

- **Campaign and alumni update**
 - **We have recently held successful large alumni events in Lexington, Kentucky and Henderson, Kentucky, as well as a smaller campaign event in Louisville, Kentucky. The larger alumni events were design to continue to engage as many alumni as possible in the life of the university, while our campaign events are targeted at informing a small number of**

major gift prospects of the needs of the university and the ways to support the capital campaign. Our next event is scheduled to be held in South Carolina in the next few weeks, with more than forty events scheduled for spring and summer of 2006.

- Our annual phonathon is going very well this semester. To date our student callers have contacted thousands of Eastern's alumni and friends and have received nearly two thousand pledges totaling more than one hundred thousand dollars.**

○ **In the next few weeks you will be receiving the first of three commemorative issues of our alumni magazine. Each issue of the magazine this year will feature photos and articles celebrating Eastern's Centennial. In addition, we have launched a new email update to all Eastern's alumni with good email addresses.**

The email updates are intended to provide more current communications to our alumni and friends while allowing our alumni magazine to provide more features and special interest stories.

○ **Just as we are focusing a great deal of time and effort on meeting with alumni, friends and prospective donors around the state and across the nation, we are equally focused on our**

key alumni events held on our campus. Planning is well underway for what promised to be a very special Alumni Weekend on April 28 – 30, 2006. Many of our alumni are already planning on attending the Centennial year Alumni Weekend and I hope that many of your will mark you calendars and plan to join us for a very special weekend.

- **Mike Johnson's visit regarding SACS. This week we were pleased to have Mike Johnson from SACS COC visit campus to meet with the Provost and I, the SACS Leadership team, Compliance Committee, and QEP Committee. Mr. Johnson was**

informative and open in sharing tips and responding to questions to assist us in our ongoing reaffirmation process. He also confirmed for us that we are making very good progress.

- **The CPE Committee on Equal Opportunities visit took place on October 17 and 18th. While we are continuing to make progress in meeting the goals under the Kentucky Plan and in fostering a warm and welcoming climate for our African-American faculty, students and staff, we have the opportunity to make improvements in the areas of faculty,**

student and staff recruitment and retention and student life.

- **Computer Science Accreditation Visit (give a brief summary of the good work of the Computer Science faculty and chair in preparing for this visit and any other information you may wish to provide**

- **The NCAA self-study draft report has been posted to the EKU home page for review and feedback. Thank Senator Larry Collins for his leadership and commitment as Chair of the committee.**

Bragging Points/Congratulations

- **Gay Sweely was awarded the prestigious Kentucky Art Education Association: “Higher Educator of the Year” (2005) for the state of Kentucky.**
- **Keven McQueen’s new book, Murder in Old Kentucky: True Crime Stories from the Bluegrass, was released by McClanahan Publishing In October**
- **Upcoming dates of interest**
 - **December 6, 2005 is the deadline for nominations for the 2006 Award for Teaching Excellence. The ECU National Alumni Association established**

this award to recognize those faculty members who excel in educating EKV students. Two members of the teaching faculty are recognized at the Alumni Awards Banquet held at the end of April, with each honoree received a \$750 cash stipend and a plaque signifying the achievement in appreciation of the honoree's strong classroom performance and demonstrated commitment to students.

- **November 9-12: Dance Theatre**
- **November 16-19: Theatre Production- Fallen Angels**

- **November 10: Philosophy Club at 7:30 in Grise Room of the Combs Building, moderated by Dr. Steve Parchment. Participants are Dr. Todd Gooch, Dr. Mike Austin and Dr. Bonnie Gray**
- **November 12 at 11:00 am at EKU's Veterans' Weekend Ceremony. The names of two former EKU students, Robert Worthington and James Farmer, both killed in action during the Vietnam War, will be added to the memorial wall. Also, all veterans are invited to participate in the**

**“Halftime Tribute to Veterans” at
EKU’s game against UT-Martin.**

- **November 15: Chautauqua
Lecture Series continues with
James Archambeault**

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Veterans Day Events – November 11