Ferris State University

President’s Council
Meeting Summary
April 4, 2018
9:00 a.m., CSS 301C

Attendance:
Blake, Bellavance, Cook, Eisler, Pilgrim, Postema, Scoby, Ward-Roof
Guests: Jeremy Mishler for VP Pearcy

Agenda Items:

- The summary from March 14, 2018 PC meeting was approved for posting.

- Distinguished Staff and Team Award Recommendations
  The Distinguished Staff and Team Committee provided Council members with their recommendations for this year’s recipients.

- Big Topics for April 18 Meeting
  Council members discussed and chose topics for the next Big Topics meeting.

- Minors on Campus
  Provost Blake provided a revised copy of the Minors on Campus Policy. Council members discussed revisions. A finalized policy will be available next week. They will revisit the policy in one of their fall meetings.

- Behavioral Review Team
  The Behavior Review Team meets weekly to address new student behavioral concerns and to provide updates on previous concerns. The team has been reviewing the Threat Assessment and Behavior Review Policy and have made some recommendations. Council members discussed the policy concerns and will revisit the issues in an upcoming meeting.

- Commencement Emergency Protocol
  Council members discussed the need to re-think emergency protocols at commencement and other events in general. A new proactive plan will be discussed at a future meeting.

- Priority Health Pricing, Univ. Contributions and Employee Payroll Deductions
  VP Scoby shared a spreadsheet comparing costs of the Priority Health pricing for the next fiscal year with the previous year.
• Budget
  Council members were reminded to continue to develop approaches to increase revenue for the University. Increasing enrollment is not the only thing we can try to do.

• Special Board Meeting
  A special board meeting will be held by conference call next week to move Virtual Center capital outlay project forward and to share progress on budget reductions with the Board.

• Governor’s Visit
  Governor Snyder will be visiting the campus on Thursday, April 5, from 3:30 – 5:00 pm to discuss his Marshall Plan with various education constituents and business leaders. He will also meet the men’s basketball team and take a brief tour of the new Swan Annex.

  ○ Round Robin
    ○ President Bellavance – Friday at KCAD, 4:30 p.m., there is a Student Exhibit of Margaret Vega’s Grandville art students, Pantone color of the year show opening is at 5:30 at UICA (ultraviolet is color of the year).
    ○ VP Ward-Roof – Reminder of the Student Government Gala, Sunday, April 29 from 6 – 9 pm.
    ○ VP Scoby – there are some celebrations surrounding the basketball championship - basketball event April 14 is a community celebration at the Sports Complex. April 20 or 21 there will be a downtown parade.
    ○ President Eisler – International Festival is this Sunday, a well-attended campus and community tradition.

Next meeting date:
  May 2, Regular Meeting, 9:00 am, CSS 301

Meeting adjourned 10:55 am
Submitted by Terri S. Cook