Ferris State University

President's Council
Meeting Summary
October 17, 2018
9:00 a.m., CSS 301C

Attendance:
Blake, Bellavance, Cook, Eisler, Pearcy, Pilgrim, Postema, Scoby, Ward-Roof

Agenda Items:
- Strategic Plan
  VP Pilgrim gave an update on progress toward creating the next Strategic Plan and with the assistance of Franklin Hughes presented the website for this plan’s development and progress. Council members were asked to share their comments on the Guiding Principles, the theme areas identified through listening sessions and on possible initiatives for this plan.

- Enrollment
  Council members reviewed progress on the enrollment initiatives developed during last spring’s planning sessions. Several new initiatives emerged from the discussion.

- Budget
  Council members started preliminary discussions about the fiscal year 2019-20 budget. Discussions will continue at next month’s meeting.

○ Round Robin
  VP Pilgrim – Bruce Davidson pieces for the museum will arrive in November. The GR Community Foundation visited the Jim Crow Museum.
  President Bellavance – visited the Highpoint Market October 13-17 and met with alumni there. Kendall graduates received 6 of the 12 Pinnacle awards presented there.
  VP Pearly – several colleagues went to GR to support Mary Dale for receiving the 40 under 40 award from the Grand Rapids Business Journal. Oct. 19 is the deadline to submit sponsorships for the Foundation Gala and to be listed in the program.
  Provost Blake – wanted to say again how well HLC visits have gone. Incredibly positive and complimentary in their remarks. The IS program is hosting 6 high school cyber competitions, bringing students to campus for these problem based team activities.
  VP Ward-Roof – successful Dawg Day last Saturday. The United Way Campaign auction will be Dec. 6 from noon to 7:00 pm. The federal grant for Gear Up funding was not renewed. First Sexual Harassment/Sexual Misconduct Training is Nov. 14. Working on streaming the training for our employees at Kendall and EIO.
  President Eisler – Governor to announce two trustee appointments later today. He will be sending individual messages to campus regarding sexual misconduct and the Strategic Plan later in the week.
Next meeting date:
    November 28, big topics meeting, 8:00 am, CSS 301C

Meeting adjourned 11:57 am
Submitted by Terri S. Cook