

**Ferris State University**  
**President's Council**  
**Meeting Summary**  
**June 7, 2017**  
**9:00 a.m., CSS 301C**

**Attendance:**

Bellavance, Blake, Cook, Eisler, Percy, Pilgrim, Postema, Scoby, Ward-Roof  
Guest: Spence Tower

**Agenda Items:**

- SPARC Retreat  
Guest Spence Tower reviewed the draft agenda for the retreat on June 19.
- Academic Affairs Divisional Expectations  
Provost Blake 2017-18 expectations for the Academic Affairs division.
- Budget Reduction  
President Eisler shared information from the legislative conference committee recommendations.
- Board Retreat  
President Eisler discussed the proposed format for this year's Board retreat in August.
- Current Art in UREC  
VP Ward-Roof asked the Council members for any suggestions regarding artwork in the UREC displaced by proposed renovations. Discussion centered around a policy regarding public art on campus.
- Senior Leadership Development Program Follow-up  
VP Scoby solicited feedback on the recently completed program. He will share the assessment form the program coordinator when that is available.
- Round Robin
  - **Provost Blake** Jason Bentley the new Dean of Retention and Student Success will be on campus June 19 and Provost Blake invited vps to a meet and greet at 5:30 pm that day.
  - **VP Ward-Roof** Reminder of the informal get together for Council members tonight.
  - **VP Bellavance** the Federal gallery regional festival was last Friday with a stage and music in the street in front of Kendall. VP Bellavance attended and it went very well.
  - **VP Scoby** September 15 is the Athletic Hall of Fame Awards
  - **VP Pilgrim** Extended a thank you to the Deans for making a donation to the students in need. Also, Gideon Smith had been nominated to the College Football Hall of Fame. In addition, VP Pilgrim is working with Dean Jackson on the food initiative.

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- **VP Percy** Barb Benda has established a new group of fund-raising volunteers in Grand Rapids (Grand Rapids Council) to help promote Ferris inn GR. The group is planning a Ferris Friends event in September and another event, the Grand Rapids Gala in May.
- **President Eisler** Recent events for the Janke family went very well and they were very appreciative. The Hagerman's were also very appreciative of the luncheon with Pharmacy scholarship recipients. UA&M did a wonderful job with the planning and execution of the meetings. President Eisler thanked Council members for the time invested in the planning process this summer. He is proud of the work that they all have done.

**Next meeting date:**

July 5, 9 a.m., CSS 301C

Meeting adjourned 10:43 am  
Submitted by Terri S. Cook