Ferris State University
President’s Council
Meeting Summary
June 2, 2020
9:00 a.m., Zoom

Attendance:
Bachmeier, Blake, Cook, Eisler, McCrackin, Pearcy, Pilgrim, Postema, Ward-Roof

Agenda Items:
• May 27, 2020 Meeting Summary approved for posting.

• Assessing the On-line Learning Fee for Fall – Council members discussed whether to assess the on-line learning fee for fall semester. Classes that switch mid-semester are not subject to the fee. This helps pay for infrastructure to support this platform. It was decided that the fee should be charged to maintain quality of instruction.

• Preparation for Trustee Work Session – Council members discussed topics for the upcoming Board working session. Budget, re-entry to campus, and UICA plans are top of the list.

• Re-entry to Campus – Discussions on campus re-entry continue. The second communication went out to campus last week. Town Halls have been scheduled for June 10 at 10:00 and 2:00 pm to give the campus community a chance to learn more and ask questions. Safety of students, faculty and staff remains at the forefront of the plan.

• Protests – Council members discussed the protests happening across the country in light of current events. Damage at Kendall included 10 broken windows, in addition to the glass in the front door and graffiti on exterior walls. The interior was not damaged. The building was secured by 2:00 pm the following day. There will be a rally and vigil on the Big Rapids campus starting at 4:00 pm today in front of FLITE.

• Round Robin
  o VP Pilgrim – Diversity and Inclusion is offering virtual museum tours to people around the country – they fill up immediately. The book he wrote with Franklin is out. Need to start grass roots fundraising without stepping on the plans of the UA&M consulting firm, Kennari.
  
  o President McCrackin – Wege Prize was held Friday with record viewership. This was the first time it was held 100% virtually. Second place went to a group that included Kendall students.
  
  o President Eisler – looking into liability assistance from the State. Lots of meetings coming up with GLIAC, WCHA, MASU, etc. Friday will be interviews for chairman of the new hockey league, the CCHA. We all are doing at least two full time jobs, so take some breaks for yourself.
Meeting adjourned 11:03 am

Submitted by Terri S. Cook