

# Ferris State University

## President's Council Meeting Summary August 28, 2019 9:00 a.m., CSS 301C

### Attendance:

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

### Agenda Items:

- Guidelines for Suspending Admissions to an Academic Program  
Provost Blake introduced guidelines to follow in the event that a program is suspended. Council members reviewed the guidelines and suggested edits to ensure that in addition to the student, all affected areas are notified. After revisions this policy will return to the Council.
- PCAF – Artificial Intelligence B.S.  
Provost Blake presented the PCAF for a Bachelors degree in Artificial Intelligence. This is a fast growing industry with outstanding prospects for graduates. The cloud computing aspect of it is attractive to feeder schools in the surrounding area.
- PCAF – Design and Build for Manufacturing Technology AAS  
Provost Blake presented the PCAF for an Associates degree in Design and Build for Manufacturing Technology. This degree combines components of the Mfg. Tool Technology and Cad Drafting and Tool Design programs. Besides an efficient use of resources, this degree has outstanding job prospects for graduates.
- Strategic Plan Implementation  
Council members shared specific initiatives from each of their divisions that align with the new strategic plan and have already happened or are in the process.
- Succession Planning  
The Board of Trustees has recently suggested that the administration start to think about succession planning for their areas.

### Round Robin:

**VP Ward-Roof** – thanks for attending the Bulldog events.

**Interim President McCrackin** – students are back, missing her time in the classroom.

**VP Bachmeier** – will have a facility master plan for the Board in October. Appreciate help from VP Ward-Roof and VP Postema regarding policy relating to sexual assault.

**VP Pilgrim** – extending an invitation to all for the Strategic Planning forums on Sept. 5 and again on Sept. 10 (during SPARC).

**VP Postema** – Reception for Rockford Students Sept. 17 from 11 -1 in Wheeler Pavilion.

**President Eisler** – Accepting the Riley gift on Wednesday. No progress on the budget from Lansing.

Approved September 18, 2018

**Next meeting date:**

Sept. 18, Big Topics Meeting, 9:00 am, CSS 301C

Meeting adjourned 11:15 am

Submitted by Terri S. Cook