

**President's Council**  
**Meeting Summary**  
**January 9, 2009**  
**8:30 a.m., CSS 301C**

**Attendance:** Armstrong, Burcham, Christner, Davison-Wilson, Eisler, Green, Kamptner, Pilgrim

**Action Item:** Summary from the December 17, 2008 PC meeting was approved for posting.

**Discussion Items:**

- Strategic Plan – review of initiatives and timeline  
Council members provided updates on the initiatives listed on Year 1 of the Strategic Plan, including specific action steps and presentations as appropriate; see document “Strategic Plan 2008 initiatives by year 010909.xlsx”

Notes:

- M. Cairns and M. Cooper to bring HLC update to Council in February or March.
  - CDO Pilgrim needs additional data from HR for the Diversity Plan.
  - More discussion may be needed on several initiatives to determine background, real issues, or expectations.
  - President and VPs will host “town hall-type” meetings to enhance sharing of information.
  - The Dashboard report will be presented to the Board of Trustees and to campus.
  - VP Christner presented options to be considered for Housing/Dining.
  - Goal 5, initiative 3: move to Year 2
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  - Leadership training/development is being considered by VPAA, HR, FCTL, and others.
  - Goals 1, initiatives 6 and 7: SPARC to discuss timeline; consider additional initiative.
  - SPARC mini-retreat scheduled for Jan. 16, 2-5pm.
  - Those with “Leadership Responsibility” are custodians of that initiative and will develop discussion papers for updates to the University stakeholders.
- Academic Calendars  
VP Burcham distributed academic calendars prepared by the Associate Registrar for approval. Year 2008-2010 had been approved previously; 2011 and 2012 were approved; 2013 will be reviewed and returned to Council.
  - Trustee Working Session  
Guest: Karen Obermier  
The Board of Trustees working session agenda for January 23, 10am-2pm in CSS 302, was discussed.
  - Provost Search - update  
President Eisler distributed the upcoming schedules for the Provost candidates.
  - State Budget - update  
President Eisler shared an update on the Michigan state budget situation. VP Burcham presented draft Spring 2009 enrollment numbers.

- Annual Planning  
Council members shared that departments/divisions are working on the annual planning forms.
- Other  
Council members reported on issues within their divisions. The First Lady's Attic grand opening is scheduled for February 12 at 11am; the OMSS move will be approximately late February or early March. Kendall is initializing the development of a new look for the viewbook, Web, interactive piece and other materials. VP Armstrong is looking forward to John Willey's start on January 15<sup>th</sup> and has appreciated her time on the President's Council. President Eisler thanked VP Armstrong for her service as interim, reminded Council of MLK events and his upcoming travel.

**Next meeting date:** January 28, 8:30am-noon, including time to discuss Provost candidates.

**Meeting adjourned 2:00pm**

Submitted by Elaine R. Kamptner