

President's Council
Meeting Summary
January 9, 2013
8:30 a.m., CSS 301C

Attendance:

Armstrong, Burcham, Davison-Wilson, Eisler, Erickson, Green, Kamptner, Pilgrim, Postema, Rosen, Scoby

Action Item:

- The summary from the December 12, 2012 PC meeting was approved for posting.

Topic/Discussion Items:

- Administrative Council
President Eisler, VP Scoby and VP Postema provided an update on the December meeting with the Administrative Council and proposed a draft tracking document to monitor progress on selected issues. Council members discussed clarifications, lead persons for the initiatives, and potential target dates.

Council agreed that personnel evaluations will be completed by May 31st, all full-time employees will be evaluated, and evaluation forms will be revised for use in Spring 2014.

- KCAD Printmaking BFA
President Rosen shared an executive summary that will be presented to the Board of Trustees for a new degree – Bachelor of Final Arts in Printmaking – at Kendall. Printmaking has been a concentration of the general BFA and should be recognized in its own right.
- University Center Project Update
VP Scoby presented a brief update on the University Center project. Renderings of the building will be available soon. Projected completion date is December 2014.
- Board of Trustee Schedule
President Eisler distributed a draft Board of Trustees meeting schedule for the next calendar year, including a potential timeline.
- Round Robin
 - VP Scoby reminded Council members to encourage attendance at the upcoming Supervisory Training sessions on January 25 and 30.
 - VP Davison said that Kendall is ahead in revenue for this semester.
 - President Rosen stated that dual enrollment is going well, Kendall is planning for a new architectural degree, he is chatting with designers in the Grand Rapids area regarding graduation degree needs, and is working with StartGarden to establish a fashion council.
 - VP Burcham provided an update on the Ferris United Way campaign. Ferris will meet this year's goal, but will reduce the 2013-14 goal to \$60,000.
 - VP Green talked about partnership opportunities and a visit on February 11th with the Turkish Ambassador in Lansing.

- VP Armstrong said that UA&M is finetuning the reorganization project, is working on advancement policies and a Stewardship Plan, and she will bring fall campaign information to the next meeting.
- Provost Erickson reported a change to Academic Senate leadership; Doug Haneline has agreed to be Languages and Literature Department Head and Mike Berghoef will move from Vice President to President of the Senate. There will be an announcement soon on a leadership reorganization in the College of Engineering Technology. Provost Erickson and Sandy Balkema are working on the Strategic Plan process and will share that with Council very soon.
- VP Pilgrim announced that the Ferris core values are being displayed on the Wheeler Pavilion electronic board. He reminded members of the Martin Luther King events on January 21st and to remain vigilant to increase diversity in personnel searches.
- VP Postema announced that the legal milestone for 2011 includes Ferris State University; a ceremony will be held at Williams Auditorium featuring a prominent plaque regarding Soapy Williams and "A Promise Kept." He distributed packets to Council members to promote the Friends of Ferris dinner/auction event.
- President Eisler reminded of the Festival of the Arts events starting at the end of January through February, shared dates of his January travel and progress on fundraising.

Next meeting date:

Wednesday, January 30, 2013, 9am-Noon in CSS 301C

Meeting adjourned 10:31 a.m.

Submitted by Elaine R. Kamptner