

President's Council (PC) Meeting Summary March 30, 2005 9:04 a.m., CSS 301C

Attendance: Burcham, Cullen, Davison, Duffett, Eisler, Harris, Hill-Kennedy

Action Item: Summary from the March 16, 2005 meeting was approved for posting, with one change noted.

Discussion Items:

- Progress on Six Overarching Goals – Eisler
 - VP Duffett distributed an updated agenda for the April 6 sessions on Message Development and Testing.
 - VP Duffett provided an update on the wireless network. VP Duffett will gather information on the proof of testing and forward to President Eisler to provide to campus.
 - VP Duffett provided information on the PC replacement cost estimates. A revised list with additional costs will be provided to the Presidents Council prior to making final decisions on funding sources. An appropriate timeline for implementation of new systems was discussed.
 - VP Duffett reported that the original list of classrooms identified for improvement has been amended due to the removal of the IRC rooms from the list. Additional walk-throughs are scheduled. President Eisler invited everyone to attend a walk-through on April 11, 2005 at 4 p.m.
- BOT Committee Agendas – Eisler
 - Agenda items were reviewed.
- Ferris 2005 Presidential Bus Tour – Duffett
 - VP Duffett reported that an evening was added in Grand Rapids for the 90th Anniversary for Community Colleges as part of the agenda on the final day.
- Accessibility Issues – Eisler
 - VP Burcham will chair a small working group to review and make recommendations regarding the processes and individuals assigned as contacts for providing assistance to those with disabilities. Estimated timetable for this working group is 30 to 45 days.
- Unit Action Planning – Eisler
 - President Eisler reviewed the schedule for the unit action plan presentations. He requested a document be provided from each division to post on the web.
- Budget Reduction – Eisler
 - Guest: Sally DePew
 - President Eisler distributed a document outlining the divisional calculations of the effects of various reductions that may be enforced by the State of Michigan. VPs are to identify the funds as indicated. President Eisler will keep the VPs updated on the budget activities of the State. Sally DePew is working on models to address the reductions as well.

- Tuition and Fees – Eisler
Guest: Sally DePew
President Eisler distributed a document and provided an overview on the major issues of the student fee deliberations. The university is working on moving to a linear tuition model.
- Capital Outlay – Eisler
Guest: Sally DePew
President Eisler identified several legislators that should be extended a thank-you for their assistance in acquiring the Capital Outlay Project for the IRC building. A letter needs to be prepared ASAP indicating that a revised Capital Outlay Request for FSU is being prepared. Sally DePew will work on this letter.
- Legislative Presentation – Eisler
Guest: Sally DePew
President Eisler provided a brief overview on his approach for the FSU presentation, which is scheduled for April 13 during the 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. time frame. The focus of this will be on higher education funding.
- Other
Updates provided by members.

Future PC Meeting dates:

April 6, 2005 – no meeting

April 13, 2005 – no meeting

April 20, 2005 – 9:00-11:00am

April 27, 2005 – 9:00-11:00am

Adjourned at 10:59 am

Submitted by Karen K. Paine