

**Ferris State University**  
**President's Council**  
**Meeting Summary**  
**June 8, 2016**  
**12:00 p.m., IRC 109**

**Attendance:**

Bellavance, Blake, Eisler, Kamptner, Pearcy, Pilgrim, Postema, Scoby, Ward-Roof

**Agenda Items:**

- The summary from the May 17, 2016 PC meeting was approved for posting.
- SE Housing  
VP Scoby distributed a draft housing plan and compared options for new housing and the phasing strategy for the southeast end of the Big Rapids campus. The plan is expected to be completed mid-July.
- Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)  
VP Scoby presented a working draft including background, analysis and possible recommendations regarding the new federal FLSA rule changes to be effective 12/1/2016. Vice Presidents will review and provide a contact name for each division/college to work with AVP Blair on the administrative exempt list. This topic will return to an August meeting.
- University Rate Schedule for FY 2017  
VP Scoby distributed the recommendations for the FY 2017 University Rate Schedule. Vice Presidents will contact him by end of June with any changes; otherwise, Council approved the recommendations, effective July 1.
- Tasers  
VP Scoby initiated discussion regarding a potential move from expandable batons to tasers to be carried by the Ferris Campus Police.
- Direct Deposit  
VP Scoby shared an update on direct deposit paystub options. If employees would like to continue receiving a printed copy of the paystub, they may so request; otherwise, no action is required and October 14, 2016 payday will discontinue printing all paystubs. Council approved.
- Retirement Plan changes  
VP Scoby continued discussion of proposed retirement plan design changes. This topic will return to an August meeting.

- Strategic Enrollment Plan  
VP Ward-Roof provided copies of the presentation, to be used at the June 9<sup>th</sup> SPARC Retreat, focusing on the goals and strategies.
- Commencement Tickets  
VP Ward-Roof shared data on Spring Commencement tickets reserved prior vs scanned at the ceremonies. Additional data will be returned to a later Council meeting.
- Van Andel Institute Memorandum of Understanding  
Provost Blake provided updated information on the partnership with the Van Andel Institute and the opportunities for P3 and P4 Pharmacy students to be admitted to this Ph.D. Included was the potential opportunity to collaborate with the School of Education on teaching science in K-12.
- ADA Issue in BUS 111  
Provost Blake provided an update on an ADA issue with BUS 111. Following a fact-finding meeting, improvements will be completed before fall semester.
- Budget  
President Eisler shared information on the state budget and implications for Ferris.
- Board of Trustees Retreat  
President Eisler reminded vice presidents of the August 4-6 Board of Trustees Retreat, session times and topics.
- Water Issue  
VP Scoby updated Council members on the water samples taken and the notice sent to the university community. Additional testing and replacements for affected faucets and fountains will be complete by August.
- Campus Climate Survey  
VP Ward-Roof distributed results of the Campus Climate Survey for review prior to discussion at the next meeting.
- Round Robin
  - **VP Ward-Roof** distributed fall enrollment data, reminded that student orientation begins June 13, and updated on searches.

**Next meeting date:**

July 6, 9am, CSS 301C

Meeting adjourned 2:30 pm.

Submitted by Elaine R. Kamptner