

**President's Council  
Meeting Summary  
June 10, 2015  
2:00 p.m., CSS 301C**

Attendance: Armstrong, Blake, Eisler, Kamptner, Pilgrim, Postema, Scoby, Ward-Roof

Agenda Items:

- The summary from the May 6, 2015 PC meeting was approved for posting.
- Scholarship Fund Review  
Guest: Sally DePew  
VPs have begun reviewing and revising scholarship fund accounts that have not been used, in some cases moving small amounts together or into the Opportunity Scholarship for better impact. A report providing point to point comparison of private scholarship awards was distributed. More funds have been awarded from this process and more students have been assisted with financial support. VPs were encouraged to continue the review. Director DePew will provide an updated report in August.
- Scholarship Feasibility Study  
VP Armstrong distributed the case statement and executive summary from the Scholarship Feasibility Study, provided an overview and explanation, and initiated discussion with Council members. There was discussion and consensus was reached on appropriate next steps. This will be presented and discussed at the Board of Trustees retreat.
- Hiring Process Changes  
VP Scoby followed up on Spring 2014 changes to the hiring process and if they working for divisions. Council members will email additional comments to VP Scoby. VPs Scoby and Postema will evaluate options and compliance issues.
- PCAF - Doctorate of Nursing Practice  
Provost Blake presented the new program proposal Doctorate of Nursing Practice for a potential Summer 2016 start. Council supports moving the PCAF forward.
- SPARC Retreat  
The June 25<sup>th</sup> SPARC Retreat will be held at the West Campus Community Center. The agenda will include sessions on culture, values, 2014-15 progress and assessment on the Strategic Plan, 2015-16 expectations, and potential fall meeting topics.
- Board of Trustees Retreat  
President Eisler reviewed the Board of Trustee retreat itinerary.

- Sponsorship Opportunities  
President Eisler presented several opportunities for Grand Rapids event sponsorships.
- Round Robin  
**VP Scoby** provided an update on a student situation and athletic coach replacements.  
**VP Ward-Roof** hosted the Michigan Student Affairs Vice Presidents on June 5<sup>th</sup> on the Big Rapids campus; on June 8<sup>th</sup> a group of Ferris employees attended the Lansing Sexual Assault meeting sponsored by the Michigan First Lady; reminded Council of the Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> SEP meeting; and updated on discussions regarding the Detroit Promise.  
**President Eisler** reported on GLIAC and WCHA athletic conference changes, Michigan budget updates, reviewed the summer Council travel schedule, shared a list of topics to be returned to Council for further discussion or review, and reminded VPs to continue to review and appropriately use carry forward funds.

**Next meeting date:**

July 6, 2015, 9:00am PC Meeting, CSS 301C

Meeting adjourned 3:25 p.m.

Submitted by Elaine R. Kamptner