

President's Council Meeting Summary

June 11, 2008

8:30 a.m., CSS 301C

Attendance: Armstrong, Burcham, Christner, Davison, Eisler, Green, Kamptner, Pilgrim, Postema

Action Item: Summary from the May 14, 2008 meeting was approved for posting.

Good News: Council members announced good news items from their division/area.

Discussions Items:

- UAP – continued discussion
The funds for approved projects will begin July 1 except for immediate cases. VPs will be responsible for contacting their divisional employees with what has/has not been funded.
- President's Council Compact
A full day retreat will be scheduled for July or August where there will be a review of the Compact and discussion of strategic planning and other topics.
- 2008-09 University Rate Schedule
The 2008-09 University Rate Schedule was returned; no changes were suggested. PC members approved the schedule.
- Campaign Feasibility Consultants
VP Armstrong provided an update on the Campaign Feasibility project and recommended consultants. After references are completed, a consultant group will be retained.
- Diversity Office
CDO Pilgrim updated the Council on several projects of diversity and for display options for promotion of core values, mission, and vision.
- Strategic Plan
President Eisler requested that the PC members review the current copy of the Strategic Plan and be prepared to fully discuss the initiatives, priority, responsibilities, and funding. He then reviewed the timeline and progression of steps. Robert von der Osten will attend this June 18th meeting.
- Annualized Planning
A small group has been identified and started meeting with the charge to set a process for annualized planning. Several ideas have been generated to date; a recommendation will come from this group.
- President Eisler
President Eisler provided updates on the vice presidential search committees, legislative issues, the Federal Building project, the Board of Trustees June 10th and July 9th meetings, the West Michigan Policy Conference in Grand Rapids on September 18-19, and travel to Washington, DC. He also mentioned that tickets are available for the Governor's Service Awards in Detroit on June 19th.

- Other
VP Armstrong reported on special summer camp signage and orientation messaging. VP Christner told that the billing process is being streamlined. VC Davison-Wilson updated on the Kendall renovations. VP Burcham provided an update on enrollment numbers. GC Postema requested an agenda item for a future meeting to be hiring process exceptions and reminded members of harness racing on July 8th at the Mecosta County Fair.

Meeting adjourned 11:50am.

Next meeting date: The next PC meeting is scheduled for June 18th for Strategic Planning.

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