

# President's Council (PC) Meeting Summary

## July 11, 2007

### 9:03 a.m., CSS 301C

**Attendance:** Burcham, Duffett, Eisler, Green, Oldfield, Pilgrim, Postema; Davison and Evans by phone.

**Action Item:** Summary from the May 23, 2007 meeting was approved for posting.

#### Discussions Items:

- Board of Trustees Meeting Follow-up  
Guest: Sally DePew
  - ✓ Council members discussed the tuition increase and contingency fee decision. A tuition calculator will be placed on the Ferris website so that students will better understand their specific cost. A link will be provided to the additional scholarship funding and information for students with extra financial need. For purposes of financial aid and employment reimbursement/waivers, the contingency fee will be considered tuition.
  - ✓ New Board of Trustee officers: Jim Haveman, Chair; Tom Cook, Vice Chair; Patrick La Pine, Secretary; and Art Tebo, Immediate Past Chair
  
- Part-time Clerical Hours  
President Eisler distributed the list of Part-time Clerical Hours. There are still a few instances where part-time employees have worked more than 28 hours. VPs will keep a close watch on this.
  
- Revised FOIA Business Policy Letter  
GC Postema provided and commented on the latest draft of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Policy and Procedure Business Policy letter. GC Postema is the FOIA Coordinator for Ferris; VC Davison is the FOIA Coordinator for Kendall. President Eisler would like a copy of each FOIA request received.
  
- Peter's Principles - Taping at Ferris  
President Eisler reported the Peter Nielson (the health and wellness speaker at Summer University) and his crew will be taping at Ferris for his national show the week of August 27<sup>th</sup>. Wendy Dodd will assist with this project.
  
- Welcome Week/Founders' Day Activities  
President Eisler announced that he will attend college meetings on August 20<sup>th</sup>. August 30<sup>th</sup> will be designated as Founders' Day and will include a State of the University address by the President, a picnic on the Quad, Stakeholder meetings with SPARC, an evening community event, as well as student activities. Emeriti will be invited to the day's activities.
  
- Diversity Office  
CDO Pilgrim provided an update of issues on which his office is working and events in which he has spoken or will be speaking.
  
- Enrollment  
VP Burcham distributed updated fall enrollment statistics. He is reviewing criteria of who has been denied admittance and how that denial is communicated.

- **Banner Operations**  
VP Duffett reported that the Banner system is running and the training is moving along very well. This will be removed as an on-going agenda item.
- **Other**  
President Eisler informed Council members on the Festival of the Arts community project; the reorganization efforts in Academic Affairs, and his intention to attend divisional retreats or meetings – not as an agenda item, but to hear the employees. VP Oldfield mentioned items on which Academic Affairs and the deans are working and exciting opportunities and endowments. VC Davison shared that they have 99 students signed up for the housing in GR. VC Evans reported on the Federal Building and options for partnerships with China. GC Postema mentioned that AFSCME bargaining starts this week. VP Duffett provided details on several upcoming alumni events, including the Stanley Cup Breakfast. VC Green described the role of continuing education across the state. CDO Pilgrim reported the minority honors enrollment is up and that he is working with Ohio State University to partner on minority recruitment. VP Burcham shared his excitement about bringing the International components together for students.

**Next meeting date:** The next PC is scheduled for August 8<sup>th</sup>.

Submitted by Elaine R. Kamptner