

**President's Council
Meeting Summary
September 2, 2009
8:30 a.m., PRK 155**

Attendance: Burcham, Eisler, Erickson, Green, Kamptner, Pilgrim, Postema, Scoby, Willey

Action Item: Summary from the August 19th PC meeting was approved for posting.

Discussion Items:

- Enrollment
VP Burcham shared Fall 2009 registration data.

- Diversity and Inclusion Office
CDO Pilgrim distributed a document for discussion regarding the Diversity Planning Committee background and potential restructuring and name change.

- H1N1 Influenza
Guest: Paul Sullivan
VP Burcham and Health Center Director Paul Sullivan presented an update on the H1N1 Influenza, including key points, vaccine availability and storage, University planning and management of the flu. Director Sullivan offered options and recommendations for the Council to consider regarding a mild outbreak of H1N1. He also shared information from other campuses and responded to questions from the Council members. He will work with UA&M to develop a communication strategy to clearly inform students and employees of preparations, guidance, responses and decisions.

- Carry Forward / Budget Reductions - update
President Eisler shared carry forward and budget reduction information.

- BOT follow-up
Council members reported on progress toward requested items from the Board of Trustees July meeting. They were reminded of major agenda materials due for the October committee meetings.

- Honorary Doctorate Candidates
President Eisler requested that Council members begin considering Honorary Doctorate candidates for commencement in May, 2010. Names and background information for potential candidates should be forwarded to Elaine; information will be compiled and returned to a later meeting for review and discussion.

- Monthly Memberships
VP Scoby requested comments on providing a monthly rate for emeriti to the Student Recreation Center/Racquet Facility. Council approved to move forward with the recommendation and an addendum to the University Rate Schedule will be prepared for the Board of Trustees.

- Annual/Operational Planning and Strategic Plan
VP Burcham distributed a draft document from the sub-group which explains the current planning processes and draws the planning pieces together. He then shared a draft planning template for 1-3 year planning, which links goals and initiatives to Strategic Planning. A footnote will be added to

this template indicating that funding will be through reallocation. There was discussion of strategic planning, operational planning, fitting the planning pieces and processes together, and SPARC. Council members approved changing the language of “Annual Planning” to “Operational Planning”; “Annual Operating Budget Requests” to “One-Time Funding Requests”; and eliminating the Minor Cap Projects as a separate budget planning function.

President Eisler reminded Council that mission, vision, core values, and the strategic plan have been constructed and approved. Vice Presidents may build on these to complete divisional strategic plans if desired. He then provided an update on Strategic Plan Year One goals and initiatives; initiatives for Year Two (FY'10); initiatives for future years; and a document sharing the Council member's Moving Forward initiatives for each goal in the Strategic Plan. The President will meet with each vice president to receive feedback on how they will pull together the Year 1, Year 2, and Moving Forward documents in managing their divisions.

- Other

President Eisler shared the most current information coming from Lansing regarding the state budget, an update on community college BS degrees, concerns regarding SB 747 regarding handguns on campuses, and a reminder of the Founders' Day activities. CDO Pilgrim shared that he was particularly pleased with the Ferris Wreath Laying Ceremony on September 1st. VP Erickson affirmed his pleasure at seeing our students all around campus and the activity and energy that they bring. VP Scoby told about the proactive work of Campus Police in sharing pedestrian information. VP Burcham reported on 1st Impressions tents and the start of Student Government. VC Green observed that community colleges are experiencing sharp increases in enrollment; CPTS is visiting the colleges with an information tent to share with students what courses and programs are available at that site. VP Postema reminded Council of the Ice Cream Social on Sept. 3rd. Mrs. Kamptner reported that the Pride Committee has had great success with the Ferris Pride t-shirt exchange.

Next meeting date: September 16, 8:30-noon in CSS 301C

Meeting adjourned 12:00pm

Submitted by Elaine R. Kamptner