

**President's Council
Meeting Summary
September 24, 2014
9:00 a.m., CSS 301C**

Attendance:

Armstrong, Blake, Davison-Wilson, Eisler, Kamptner, Pilgrim, Postema, Scoby, Ward-Roof

Agenda:

- The summary from the August 27, 2014 PC meeting was approved for posting.

- Board of Trustees
Council members discussed the itinerary and agenda for the Board of Trustees October working session, Committees and full Board meetings; these meetings will be held in Grand Rapids during ArtPrize.

- Room Rental Rates for University Center
VP Ward-Roof provided the current University Rate Schedule and the proposed University Center rental rates. Council provided suggestions and will review again at the Oct. 1 meeting.

- Homecoming
VP Ward-Roof distributed the list of events for Homecoming week.

- Financial Aid Leveraging
VP Ward-Roof demonstrated the online scholarship and price calculator located on the Financial Aid website. This is not a guarantee or contract, but is a wonderful tool for students and parents.

- PCAF: Hospitality Management
Provost Blake presented the Preliminary Curriculum Approval Form for the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration - Hospitality Management degree for Fall 2015 implementation. Members supported the degree.

- Virtual Learning Center/State Capital Outlay
President Eisler shared a draft document to be used in the state capital outlay process to renovate residence halls adjacent to FLITE into a Virtual Learning Center. Members will provide recommended language to enhance the text.

- State Budget
President Eisler provided an update on the expectations for the state budget and the expected ramifications to the University budget for fall and spring.

- West Michigan Presidents Campus Compact (WMPCC)
President Eisler distributed the upcoming WMPCC conference agenda for October 15. Some Council members will attend with the President, along with Tony Baker and Donna Ewigleben.

- Round Robin
 - VP Ward-Roof announced that more companies will be present at the Career Fair this year and the Ferris United Way campaign will be starting very soon.

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- VP Pilgrim reported that the measurements group for the Strategic Plan has met and are working; he will be the keynote speaker at the State History Conference this weekend.
- Provost Blake enjoyed the conversation with consultant Peter Dams.
- VP Scoby felt that there was a good start with Dr. Dams and a planning template; he appreciates the partnership with UAM and the football box.
- VP Davison-Wilson is pleased to be working with Mike MacKay so that Kendall now is receiving the same emergency alerts and participating in University response processes.
- VP Armstrong announced that Ron and Dee Snead will be Homecoming Grand Marshals.
- EA Kamptner presented the new individualized retirement plaque rather than a pen.
- President Eisler reviewed upcoming events; announced that agenda items not covered today will be moved to next week's agenda; and is excited at the growth of the Ferris Foundation endowment.

Next meeting dates:

Oct. 1, 2014, 9:00 a.m. – Noon, CSS 302

Meeting adjourned 12:10 p.m.

Submitted by Elaine R. Kamptner