

**President's Council
Meeting Summary
October 1, 2014
9:00 a.m., CSS 301C**

Attendance:

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

Agenda:

- The summary from the September 24, 2014 PC meeting was approved for posting.

- Board of Trustees
Guest: Karen Huisman
Council members discussed the itinerary and reviewed agenda changes for the Board of Trustees October Committees and full Board meetings.

- University Budget
Guest: Sally DePew
President Eisler and Director DePew shared information on fund balances across the University. VPs will review accounts under their divisions and develop plans on the use of these resources to address strategic needs by Nov. 1. A small group will be formed to review scholarship and loan accounts.

- Administrative Merit
Guest: Sally DePew
VP Scoby provided options for Council members' discussion regarding administrative and administrative support merit pay based on annual evaluations. This will be revisited at the Nov. 5th meeting.

- Strategic Planning Website and Report Card/Summary Page
President Eisler and EA Kamptner presented a draft template for the new strategic planning website. This site will show forward motion on planning and be a graphic representation of divisional progress. As the site is developed, it will be shared with Council and SPARC.

- Honorary Doctorate Candidates
President Eisler requested Council members to begin the process of finding and presenting nominations for May 2015 Honorary Doctorate(s). Names and summaries should be provided for the Nov. 19th Council meeting.

- Compliance Matrix
VP Postema distributed a Compliance Matrix framework to identify those who have primary responsibility for areas of compliance at the University. This listing involves the current understanding of compliance pieces. VPs will review and complete the known areas by the end of January 2015. General Counsel's office will review the gaps by the end of February 2015.

- Financial Aid Leveraging
VP Ward-Roof requested Council discussion on changes to the scholarship model. A sub-group will meet to further review.

- Room Rental Rates for University Center
VP Ward-Roof provided an edited proposal of University Center rental rates. Council approved.
- Environmental Health and Safety Policy
VP Scoby distributed a draft Environmental Health and Safety Policy, updated from the 2000 version. Council supports the changes.
- Diversity Report
VP Pilgrim presented the “Diversity at Ferris 2013-14 Report.”
- Strategic Plan, Phase 3
VP Pilgrim shared a document that the measurements group is currently developing. Recommendations will be developed and presented to the Council.
- Commencement
VP Ward-Roof distributed a sample program being developed for the May 2015 commencement ceremonies as a keepsake and branding piece. It is expected to be significantly less expensive than the current program, while containing more information. The Commencement Office is also working toward electronic ticketing, which will be less burdensome for the colleges and the students.
- Veteran’s Breakfast
VP Ward-Roof announced the Nov. 11 Veteran’s Breakfast to be held in the Granger Atrium. All Ferris and community veterans are invited; 7:30am breakfast served, 8:00am program with keynote speaker Trustee Art Tebo.
- Round Robin
 - VP Ward-Roof announced Homecoming events, the United Way Kick-Off Breakfast/Campaign and shared the new Admissions brochure.
 - Provost Blake reminded Council of the Victor Spathelf lecture on Oct. 3rd.
 - VP Davison-Wilson is pleased with the venue awards at KCAD and UICA for ArtPrize and announced that more volunteers are needed.
 - VP Scoby shared that the new retirement glass plaque was well received. The Master Plan input sessions have begun; there is good conversation.
 - VP Pilgrim reported that the State History Conference was well attended.
 - VP Armstrong shared the “Insight” magazine where VP Pilgrim is featured as a Visionary Award recipient.
 - President Eisler reviewed upcoming events and distributed an Innovation Process flowchart.

Next meeting dates:

Nov. 5, 2014, 9:00 a.m. – Noon, CSS 302

Nov. 19, 2014, 9:00 a.m. – Noon, CSS 30

Meeting adjourned 12:25 p.m.

Submitted by Elaine R. Kamptner