

**President's Council
Meeting Summary
November 7, 2012
9:00 a.m., CSS 301C**

Attendance:

Armstrong, Burcham, Davison-Wilson by phone, Eisler, Erickson, Kamptner, Pilgrim, Postema, Scoby

Action Item:

- The summary from the October 17, 2012 PC meeting was approved for posting.

Topic/Discussion Items:

- Operational Efficiencies
Guest: Sally DePew, Budget Director
Director DePew provided an update on a requirement from the State of Michigan to describe significant initiatives implemented for which quantifiable savings can be shown. The Fiscal Year 2013 and 2014 Cost Savings Initiatives by division are due to her on Monday, Nov. 12. The collated data will be forwarded to the State and placed on the Transparency Reporting web site.
- Board of Trustees
Council members discussed follow-up items from the November 2nd Board of Trustee meeting.
- University Center Project
Guest: Mike Hughes, Associate Vice President for Physical Plant
VP Scoby provided an update and introduced AVP Hughes to present the current University Center renovation project scope elements, timeline, and design options for Council review and discussion.
- Student Debt Task Force
Guest: Leonard Johnson, Task Force Chair
Chair Johnson shared that the task force has prepared a distillation of all the townhalls, comments and meetings. He then distributed the draft Student Debt Task Force report and recommendations for Council review. Council agreed that this document may be provided to the Strategic Planning and Resource Council (SPARC) at the November 13th meeting for discussion, and then revised into an updated iteration. President Eisler expects to release the report to the University community on November 19th.
- Round Robin
 - VP Burcham reported that Spring 2013 and Fall 2013 enrollments numbers are up.
 - VP Scoby shared that employees will be receiving total compensation statements. He stated that there is a group being formed to review and recommend a new email/calendaring system; if VPs want to choose a specific representative, please contact him.
 - VP Armstrong is pleased with the attendance at the Foundation Benefit Gala with 513 tickets sold and 462 seated; she expects a profit of \$60,000 or more will be available for student scholarships and faculty/staff grants.

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- VP Pilgrim reminded that Henry Gates will be at the Jim Crow Museum on November 14 and will be videotaped by PBS. Ferris will also take some video as he meets with visiting students and faculty. VP Pilgrim will provide samples of the draft core value posters to Council members.
- President Eisler is pleased to accept the Michigan Real Estate Excellence Award for the historic Federal Building renovation project later today with President Rosen and Vice President Davison.

Next meeting date:

Wednesday, November 28, 9:00-11:00am in CSS 301C

Meeting adjourned 11:00 a.m.

Submitted by Elaine R. Kamptner