

President's Council Minutes

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location: **EGF Room 301**



Present: Dennis Bona, Jodi Stauss-Stassen, Mike Curfman, Shannon Jesme, Lars Dyrud, Curtis Zoller, Brian Huschle, Mary Fontes, and Julie Fenning (recorder).
Absent: Kristi Lane and James Retka

1. President's Report – Dennis Bona

- a. **President's Council Structure** – Dr. Bona updated the agenda format to ensure there is adequate time to spend on critical items that need to be addressed.
- b. **Executive Team** – It was determined that there was not a need for this group to meet.
- c. **Leadership Council Update** – Dr. Bona shared an update from the September retreat in Ely. Chancellor Malhotra has scheduled Leadership Council meetings at colleges within the system. This has been a great learning experience to visit these colleges.
 - i. **UAS Partnership** - Anoka is interested in partnering with Northland on establishing a UAS program. Brian and Curtis will meet with their counterparts to discuss options.
 - ii. **Reimagining Minnesota State** – Minnesota State has hired a firm to facilitate the process over the next eight to nine months. They are currently surveying different constituencies; seeking participation from all Minnesota State employees.
 - iii. **NextGen** – The system office has asked all institutions to establish a Change Management Committee to assist with the implementation process of the new student database product. This work will begin closer to the implementation date, when a product has been selected.

2. Action Items

- a. **College Newsletter** – Chad Sperling and Curtis Zoller are working to develop a framework for an internal newsletter to share relevant information with employees.
ACTION: Chad will schedule a meeting with Curtis, Kelly, and Havie to discuss options and to determine a process.

3. Discussion Items

- a. **Space Utilization Policy** – Shannon Jesme shared that during the capital bonding scoring process, points are deducted for not having an official space utilization policy. Northland does not currently have one. **ACTION:** Shannon will work with the academic deans to document the current procedure and develop a policy. The deadline is November 15th for the final version.

4. Informational Items

- a. **TRF Campus Revitalization** - Shannon Jesme shared that the group has been meeting to revitalize the TRF campus Gunderson Commons, cafeteria, and front entrance. They are updating seating, rugs, décor, and creating new outside signage for the main entrance.
ACTION: Shannon will work with Chad on logo use.

5. Adjournment 11:57 a.m.