



# President's Council Minutes

Thursday, October 18, 2018

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Location: **EGF Room 290/Video to TRF Room 662**

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

**Absent:** Curtis Zoller, Chad Sperling

## 1. President's Report – Dennis Bona

- a. **State of the City** – Today in the EGF commons following President's Council.
- b. **Strategic Planning** – Dr. Bona will be schedule a meeting to begin reviewing the ideas generated for increasing enrollment. **ACTION:** Julie will work to recruit AFSCME and MAPE members.
- c. **Minnesota State Update** – Dr. Bona shared that the state-wide student leadership has written a letter regarding the Reimagining Minnesota State project. He will continue to follow the discussion.
- d. New Vice Chancellor of Human Resources has been hired: Eric Davis.

## 2. Action Items: None

## 3. Discussion Items: None

## 4. Informational Items

- a. **Marketing Update** – Chad Sperling was absent.
- b. **Student Retention Outreach Collaborative Project** – Mary Fontes
  - i. This project came from a Distance MN discussion. NCTC has the option to partner with the other Distance colleges and apply for system collaboration funding. The project is to help increase retention at the college. November 16<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for the proposal. President's Council supported this project.
- c. **Emergency Campus Closure or Class Cancellation Process Update** – Brian shared updates to the process due to staffing changes.
  - i. Change: Jim on ground for TRF in process. Jodi/Brian: EGF.
  - ii. Jodi and Mike will be primary information and decision points.
  - iii. Jodi and Mike/Jim will be in touch with Bob and Clinton (for respective campuses).
  - iv. Dennis/Brian review/approve decisions.
  - v. Jodi/Mike/Brian: College Email, Blackboard connect text and email, web page announcement, contact to Chad for media. Mike will contact Jason regarding contacting the Bus. Tri-valley, Jim is the back up.
  - vi. Back-up Decision Makers to Jodi and Mike: EGF: Brian/Mary. TRF: Jim/Curtis.
  - vii. Kristi will send her email out to all employees.
  - viii. Mike Curfman will connect with Jason
  - ix. Pioneer athletic website is going live on Wednesday. Coaches will be able to put up schedules and scores.
  - x. Advisory dinner in TRF. Welding, autobody, nursing, and ag. Food service was done well. Good food quality.

- d. **NSF Grants** – The two grants have been submitted. **ACTION:** Jim and Curtis will send Dr. Bona copies of the final grant proposals.
- e. **Crowd Funding Platform** - Lars shared that the Foundation has the crowd funding platform ready. He is working on creating a policy and the procedure on how the software is to be used. He will then provide training to interested employees.

**5. Adjournment 10:33 a.m.**