

PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL

Wednesday, December 11, 2019

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: TRF Room 662 (290)

Minutes

Present: Dennis Bona, Shannon Jesme, Jodi Stauss-Stassen, Becky Lindseth, Jim Retka, Brian Huschle, Curtis Zoller, Mike Curfman, Chad Sperling, Lars Dyrud, and Julie Fenning (recorder).
Absent: Mary Fontes

1. President's Report – Bona

a. Leadership Council Update

- i. **Equity and Inclusion Plan** – Clyde Picket from the system office shared the new Equity and Inclusion plan. **ACTION:** Dr. Bona will distribute to the council.
 - ii. **Supplemental Budget Request** was sent to the legislature. Minnesota State is asking for funding for NextGen and tuition relief funds to eliminate the need to raise tuition. This is a bonding year, and there is a large surplus this year. It is likely we could be funded this year for HEAPR projects and possibly our current bonding project (EGF Teaching Labs).
 - iii. **U of M-Crookston and State Cloud State University** – They have announced that they are canceling their football programs.
- b. **Service Learning – Online Student Loop Hole** – There is currently a loop hole for students to avoid the service learning requirement. If the student is coded as an online student, they are exempt from the requirement. **ACTION:** The definition of an online student was clarified: declared major must be one of the official online programs. Mary will share with her team at the upcoming advisor training. **ACTION:** Julie will work with Ben Hoffman to modify the existing form to clarify the online student definition.

2. Discussion Items

- a. **College – Northland/NCAT Co-branding** – Discussion was held regarding how NCAT and Northland will co-brand. It was clarified that NCAT is a subsidiary of Northland and it is important to be branded as such. All Northland/NCAT co-branding opportunities will follow the newly established Northland brand standards with Northland operating as the primary brand. **ACTION:** Chad will schedule a meeting with Chelsea Bladow and team to discuss joint branding strategies.

3. Action Items

- a. **Revision to 3340P Assessment for Course Placement Procedure** – Huschle - This procedure will be reviewed at AASC meeting this afternoon. Approved contingent on AASC's approval. **UPDATE: Approved by AASC.**



4. Informational Items

- a. **Holiday Work Schedule** – Becky shared that the modified holiday work schedule has been emailed to all employees.
- b. **Employee Appreciation and Recognition Luncheon** – Becky has scheduled these events for each campus and an email has been sent to all employees.
- c. **OCR Visit** – Becky shared that the OCR visit has been rescheduled to February 19 – 21, 2020.

5. PSEO Contracts – Shannon shared that a PSEO partner has requested a reduced rate for PSEO credits. It was determined that Northland will not plan to offer any reduced rates for PSEO.

6. Individual Updates (limited to two minutes)

- a. Lars Dyrud – There will be a Chamber Business After Hours event on the EGF campus on December 19th. There will be 90 Workforce Development Scholarships awarded this fall. Please share with students. Lars is working on several mini crowdfunding campaigns. Currently there is a faculty and employee campaign to raise money for food items for students. Lars also stated that there will be a 50/50 raffle during the spring faculty in-service.
- b. Chad Sperling – No update given.
- c. Becky Lindseth – No update given.
- d. Jodi Stauss-Stassen – No update given.
- e. Mike Curfman – There is an open house in the art gallery today. Student art work will be on display today through next Wednesday. Holiday tournaments are going on: women's basketball this week and men's basketball next week. Mike shared that they will continue hosting open gym and fitness center during the spring, January 26 – April 5.
- f. Curtis Zoller – Curtis gave a brief update on the spring faculty in-service agenda. **ACTION:** Becky will send him a list of all faculty to send to Digi-Key for name badges. The bus for EGF faculty has been confirmed.
- g. Jim Retka – Jim gave an update from a recent MEC meeting. The new MEC sign has been installed. Next year Northland's contribution is increasing from \$7,500 to \$10,000.
- h. Brian Huschle – The academic master plan will be expiring this semester. Brian has visited with AASC regarding a timeline for updating the plan. Brian would like to create a plan similar to the rolling strategic plan. President's Council approved to move forward with a rolling AMP.
- i. Shannon Jesme – No update given.
- j. Mary Fontes - Absent

7. Adjournment 11:30 a.m.

