University Council  
Student Engagement and Success  

Minutes: December 3, 2013  

Attendees: Gannon, Debbie; Ohlson, Margo; Pleuss, Carol; Sochacka, Alicja; Thorpe, Lauri; Levy, Paul; Moore, Stacey; Mothes, Holly; Marion, Nancy; Angeletti, Rick; Krovi, Ravi  

Absent: Dennis, Bryan; Tressel Jim; Ashby, Susan; Kline, John; Christopher, Greg  

Meeting called to order at 3:00 pm.  

I. Application/Scholarship Update – Currently, the fall 2014 class has 10,800 freshman applicants and 4,462 are admitted. This is higher than fall 2013 applicants of 6,676 applied and 3,370 admitted.  
  a. New to admissions is a weekly report of the student applicants who have improved their test scores and may be able for scholarships.  
  b. Honors College (sorry I was late and didn’t get all those numbers). Honors College has completed their interviews.  

II. University Meal Plans – Information is still being gathered.  

III. Streamline of student information - Rick Angeletti suggested the committee look into how information is being disseminated to students. The information is not streamlined therefore student are not getting the correct information or overwhelmed with emails.  

IV. UC Bylaws Stacey Moore discussed the changes to the UC Bylaws that are going to the Board of Trustees for approval. The changes are to improve the clarity and function of the committee.  
  a. Clarity of Shared Governance – The language was changed from “shall be” to “are” to represent the consultative decision-making process.  
  b. Clarify the purpose of policy and strategy – This limited the number of members, election of officers, and make certain as the committee grows that all constituents are involved.  
  c. Nimble and responsive – The President can all the committee together, if needed, within 24 hours.  

V. Clarify of how and what issues UC needs to address – Endorsed UC issues are recommended to the Board or President. Each of the UC Committees has knowledgeable members to make recommendations regarding their committee.  
  a. Rovi Kravi questioned how such a large group can recommend policy or procedures about issues they may not have knowledge regarding. He expressed that in academia we have a compulsions to include everyone which may lead to chaos. Other committee members stated that this process may lead to different advantage points and may address any unintended consequences.  

VI. How to address a problem/idea to UC? – Currently the process is to make an issue brief which is directed to the appropriate UC committee.  
  a. Ideas – a web site with information on each committee. A committee open forum to discuss, ask questions, link access, and address any concerns of the university community.  

VII. Meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.