

Minutes
PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL
Jan. 8, 2020

PRESENT:

President Brad Mortensen

Vice President Betsy Mennell

Provost Madonne Miner

Vice President Norm Tarbox

Vice President Bret Ellis

Vice President Brett Perozzi

Ms. Adrienne Andrews, Asst. Vice President of Diversity & Chief Diversity Officer

Ms. Amy Huntington, Staff Advisory Council Chair

Mr. Steven Richardson, Director of Strategic Initiatives

Dr. Timothy Herzog, Faculty Senate Chair

Mr. Guy Letendre, Director of Economic Development

Ms. Shelly Belflower, Director, Academic Technology Srvs and IT Business Srvs

Mr. Peter Waite, Director of Application Development Services

Ms. Nancy Jarvis, Sr. IT Policy & Planning Administrator

Dr. Ravi Krovi, Future Provost

Ms. Sherri Cox, Recorder

Minutes

2019 Weber State
Economic Development
Review

Electronic and
Information Technology –
Accessibility (EIT-A)

Washington Post: Opioid
Epidemic Evolved

Dean of Students to
Director of Student
Conduct

1. The meeting convened at 8:00 a.m. Provost Madonna Miner welcomed attendees.
2. President's Council Members approved minutes from the Dec. 4, 2019, meeting.
3. Mr. Guy Letendre gave a presentation on Economic Development. Key points included: 1-Shortage of and demand for computer science and engineers in corporations 2- Identified Initiatives 3- Government shutdown impact study 4- Workforce Development 5- Economic Development Day 6- Sustainability Summit. Discussion and questions ensued with President's Council members.
4. Vice President Bret Ellis, Ms. Shelly Belflower, and Mr. Peter Waite gave a presentation on Electronic Institutional Technology Accessibility. Their presentation included: 1- Compliance 2- Accessibility for faculty, staff and students 3- Web accessibility training 4- A tool called Ally has been purchased 5- An hourly employee has been hired to look at and screen websites 6- A list of top 9 things was listed that all universities should do 7- Public websites are at highest risk 8- Two requests were made: a- To hire an EIT-Accessibility Coordinator and b- Funding for a public website monitoring software. Training to faculty and staff is necessary for documents published to websites. There are many rules and techniques to make documents accessible. Training needs to take place to keep our university safe and avoid legal issues that could occur.
5. President Brad Mortensen presented a link to a document on opioid epidemic and how it is affecting the country as well as students, faculty and staff in the geographic area.
6. Vice President Brett Perozzi brought forward the following change concerning the Associate Vice President/Dean of Students, Jeff Hurst's position. There are many responsibilities falling under his purview and the Dean of Students portion will be removed from his title. A new Director of Student Conduct position will be created to assist with handling student issues.

2020-2021 Sabbatical Requests	<p>7. Provost Madonna Miner discussed 49 sabbatical requests. This is the highest amount of requests ever presented. The applications are all valid and good. Discussion ensued over the approval process, concerns with courses, covering of positions, funding by colleges, etc.</p>
Approval	<p>The President's Council approved the 2020-2021 sabbatical requests and will move them on to the Board of Trustees for approval.</p>
PPM Updates	<p>8. Provost Miner proposed revisions to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPM 4-1 Graduation Standards • PPM 4-21 Awarding of Transfer Credit • PPM 8-13 Autobiographical Form <p>A request was made to make sure athletics is aware of changes to these PPMs.</p>
Approval	<p>The President's Council approved the proposed revisions to the PPMs and will move them forward, along with addressing concerns, to the Board of Trustees for approval.</p>
Program Name Change	<p>9. Provost Miner proposed a name change to the current minor in Building Design and Construction to Building Design, Construction, and Architectural Design.</p>
Approval	<p>The President's Council approved the minor name change.</p>
New Programs	<p>10. Provost Miner proposed the following new programs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Building Design & Construction - BS b. Health Administration - BS c. Health Information Management - BS d. AA in Dance e. Facility Management Minor
Approval	<p>The President's Council approved the new program proposals and minor; however, they will need to go to peer review before being moved to Board of Trustees for approval.</p>
Other	<p>11. Other items addressed by President's Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Change of Jan. 22, 2020 Board of Trustee meeting to an earlier start time of 9:00 am to accommodate the Stuart Slavin seminar.

- b. Vice President Ellis thanked the Council for the security discussion at Monday's VP Staff Meeting. Many campuses are being hit hard with hacking and we need more vigilance.
- c. Monday, January 20 is the MLK Freedom Breakfast – Pastor France Davis is the keynote speaker. All are encouraged to attend.
- d. Ms. Adrienne Andrews, Asst. Vice President of Diversity and Chief Diversity Officer met with Police Chief Watt regarding facilitating an open panel discussion with questions. Chief Watt has agreed to do two forums each year.

Upcoming Events

12. Upcoming Events were reviewed without discussion.

Meeting Adjourn

13. With no further items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.