

Minutes
PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL
Oct. 30, 2019

PRESENT:

President Brad Mortensen

Vice President Bret Ellis

Vice President Betsy Mennell

Provost Madonne Miner

Vice President Brett Perozzi

Vice President Norm Tarbox

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

Ms. Amy Huntington, Staff Advisory Council Chair

Dr. Bruce Bowen, Associate Provost for Enrollment Services

Mr. Steven Richardson, Director of Strategic Initiatives

Dr. Timothy Herzog, Faculty Senate Chair

Ms. Sherri Cox, Recorder

Minutes

1. The meeting convened at 8:00 a.m. President Brad Mortensen welcomed attendees.
2. President's Council Members approved minutes from the Sept. 25, 2019, meeting.

Update on Enrollment
Figures

3. Enrollment figures were reviewed by Dr. Bruce Bowen. Online enrollment has increased to 26%. Arts & Humanities, Education and Health are leading in growth. Concurrent enrollment continues to grow along with the growth in the high school population. Discussion took place among the President's Council concerning data provided.

Early Retirement
Requests

4. Provost Madonne Miner presented two early retirement requests for approval:
 - a. Anthony Daniels – Jan. 31, 2020
 - b. Lynn Schow – Dec. 31, 2019

Approval

The President's Council approved the early retirement requests.

Graduate Certificate in
Educational Leadership

5. Provost Madonne Miner proposed a graduate certificate in educational leadership. This will benefit Masters of Education students wishing to pursue leadership opportunities.

Program name Changes and New Administrative Unit

6. Provost Miner presented two program name changes and a new administrative unit to the President's Council for approval:
 - a. Department of Geography, Environment and Sustainability
 - b. Department of Psychological Science
 - c. New Administrative Unit – Library Teaching & Information Services Department

No new resources or faculty are needed for these programs. The name changes are meant to keep departments modern and up to speed with current times and titles.

Approval

The President's Council approved the name changes and the new library administrative unit.

Program Reviews

7. Provost Miner discussed six program reviews. Justification for the reviews shows each program's progress over three years. Reviews make it easier to track programs' progress and direction, as well as monitor changes within the programs, degrees, certificates offered, accreditation, and user experience. The following program reviews were presented:
 - a. Business Administration and marketing
 - b. Exercise Sport Science
 - c. Health Promotion
 - d. Paramedic Program
 - e. Physical Education Professional
 - f. Web and User Experience

Approval

The President's Council will send the program reviews through the Personnel and Academic Policy Committee and then to the Board of Trustees for approval.

Space

8. Provost Miner led a discussion on accommodating space for academic programs that may be constrained. A discussion followed with questions on how to make more room, conversion of classrooms, and repurposing. WSU's five year building plan has room to increase office and classroom space.

Legislative Cloud Response Update, Senate Bill 2

9. Vice President Ellis gave a report on the legislative cloud response. The legislature is asking us to build a home to house all 8 institutions, and a system for

	CIOs. More details are needed to proceed.
Housing and Dining Rates	10. Housing and dining rate increases were discussed by Vice President Brett Perozzi. Nominal increase in the housing prices was proposed. The meal plan involved more discussion and needs future revisions to better serve students' needs.
Approval	The President's Council approved the housing rate increase and asked for some simple changes on the meal plan to move it forward to the Board of Trustees for approval.
Department of Public Safety Reorganization	11. Vice President Norm Tarbox discussed the Department of Public Safety reorganization. Public Health and Safety department belongs to Facilities Management. The new Director of Public Safety will be Dane LeBlanc with Seth Cawley named as Chief of Police. Waivers to make changes to the leadership in the Police Department are in process. Environmental Health and Safety department will be moving. Nuclear Safety needs to maintain the program and make sure we have the leadership needed. It is housed in the College of Science.
Facilities Rental Committee Rate Increase Proposal	12. A Facilities rental committee rate increase proposal was discussed by Vice President Norm Tarbox. Data on rates and comparisons to other institutions was presented.
Decision	The President's Council recommended updating the information before approving the rate increase.
AASCU Conference Takeaways	13. President Brad Mortensen gave a report on the recent AASCU Conference he attended.
Holiday Schedule	14. President Mortensen discussed the 2019 holiday schedule and clarified giving all full time staff a floating holiday between Thanksgiving and the end of the year. Correspondence will be sent out indicating this to non-exempt and exempt staff.
Other	15. Other items brought before the President's Council: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Men's basketball starts tonight in the Dee Events Center. The new scoreboard is working great!

Upcoming Events

16. Upcoming Events and Wildcat Welcome Weekly events were looked over without any additional discussion.

Meeting Adjourn

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