

Minutes
PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL
Jan. 4, 2017

PRESENT:

President Chuck Wight
Provost Madonne Miner
Vice President Norm Tarbox
Vice President Jan Winniford
Vice President Brad Mortensen
Vice President Bret Ellis
Adrienne Andrews
Doris Geide Stevenson
Shane Farver

Minutes

Sabbatical Requests

ACTION

Dixon Awards

PPM 3-39: New Year
Holiday

ACTION

1. The meeting convened at 8 a.m.
2. The President's Council approved the Dec. 21, 2016, meeting minutes.
3. Provost Madonne Miner presented sabbatical requests for the 2017-18 academic year. There were 28 requests for sabbatical, seven of which were for a full year.

After a discussion on sabbatical requests in general, the President's Council approved requests for the 2017-18 academic year. The requests will next go to the WSU Board of Trustees for final approval.
4. Brad Mortensen, vice president of University Advancement, mentioned that nominations are now being accepted for the H. Aldous Dixon Awards and would continue to be accepted until the end of January 2017. The Dixon Awards recognize WSU employees who go above and beyond expectations in their support of students.
5. Mortensen and Norm Tarbox, vice president for Administrative Services, proposed a change to PPM 3-39 that would bring WSU in line with the federal practice of observing the New Year's Day holiday on a Monday if the day itself falls on a Sunday.

The President's Council approved the change, which will go to the WSU Board of Trustees for final approval.

Fall Graduation

6. Council members discussed ways in which to shorten the fall graduation program.

Events Calendaring

7. Mortensen advised that a regular event preview be a part of subsequent President's Council meetings.

ACTION

The President's Council agreed to have an event preview at all meetings going forward.

Meeting adjourned

8. With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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