

University Council Minutes
Wednesday, March 7, 2012
8:30 – 10:00 am
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Waded Cruzado, Daniel Adams, Larry Baker, Blake Bjornson, Matt Caires, Tom Calcagni, Susan Dana, Joe Fedock, Peter Fields, Carl Fox, Rolf Groseth, Bob Hawks, Bob Hietala, Jeff Jacobsen, Gwen Joseph, Marvin Lansverk, Terry Leist, Diane Letendre, Jim Limbaugh, Robert Marley, Tom McCoy, Shelley McKamey, Helen Melland, Tamara Miller, Martha Potvin, Jim Rimpau, Leslie Taylor, Jeanne Wilkinson, Allen Yarnell

I. Call to Order

President Cruzado called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Minutes of February 1, 2012

The minutes were approved as read.

III. University Wide Information/ Announcements

President Cruzado discussed the Board of Regents meeting and thanked many individuals for their excellent assistance this past year since the Department of Education's Title IX Guidance was issued via its April 4, 2011, "Dear Colleague" letter.

IV. New Items

- A. Revision of 4% Administrative Fee Policy to Simplify Method of Payment
Terry Leist, Vice President for Administration and Finance
Laura Humberger, Assistant Vice President for Financial Services

Vice President Leist and Assistant Vice President Humberger discussed the proposed revision of the policy. The proposed revision has been discussed with Faculty Senate, Research Council and Deans Council.

- B. Annual Security Report
Leslie Taylor, Legal Counsel

Legal Counsel Taylor discussed the Annual Security Report. This report is a requirement of the Cleary Act.

C. Breastfeeding Policy
Leslie Taylor, Legal Counsel

Legal Counsel Taylor discussed the Breastfeeding Policy. The policy has been revised to reflect the change in State law.

V. Old Items

A. Student Athletic Code of Conduct
Matt Caires, Dean of Students
Leslie Taylor, University Legal Counsel

Legal Counsel Taylor announced the proposed Student Athletic Code of Conduct was not posted for 30 days. The proposed policy is now posted and will be voted on at the April University Council meeting.

VI. Information Items

A. Election Process for Governance Councils
Terry Leist, Vice President for Administration and Finance

Vice President Leist discussed the Election Process for Governance Councils. Individuals are encouraged to contact Vice President Leist if there are questions or concerns.

VII. Updates

Provost Potvin announced that progress has been made toward awarding \$100,000 for merit raises and \$100,000 for market raises, as agreed to in the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Vice President Leist announced Budget Council met yesterday to discuss the Strategic Investment Proposals and will be making a recommendation to President Cruzado. The College of Business Building Committee will hold a session to gather additional campus input on the three possible building sites tomorrow, March 8 from Noon-1:00 pm in Ballroom A. Cooley Lab is on schedule to be occupied by October 2012.

Chancellor Limbaugh announced MSU-Northern won the Frontier Conference Championship. MSU-Northern is completing their visioning process, continuing to work on their branding and web initiative and reviewing their academic programs for opportunities for growth in light of trends in the discipline and workforce projections.

Chancellor Groseth announced MSU-Billings Men's Basketball won the 2012 Great Northwestern Athletic Conference and claimed the GNAC's automatic berth to the NCAA tournament. President Cruzado will speak at the Town and Gown event tonight in Billings. Effective August 15, 2012 MSU-Billings will become a tobacco free campus.

Vice President Rimpau announced the Strategic Planning Council continues to work on goals and a matrix for the Strategic Plan.

Faculty Senate Chair Lansverk announced Faculty Senate recently appointed a Senator to serve on the Gallatin College Program's Transfer Committee. Chair Lansverk participated in the Higher Education Summit here on campus and participated in a conversation discussing salaries with members of the Board of Regents.

Dean Joseph announced MSU-Great Falls will have their three-year Accreditation visit next month. MSU-Great Falls' students are reviewing their constitution. The search for the Dean is being finalized with an aggressive time line for completion. The Board of Regents approved construction of the Child Care Facility for MSU-Great Falls at the March meeting.

Dean Hietala announced the Board of Regents approved the Certificate of General Studies and the Weatherization Certificate at the March meeting.

Dean Cairns announced the Office of Commissioner of Higher Education is coordinating a Title IX training event on March 29 for Academic and Student Affairs Officers. Associate Vice President Lashaway organized a campus safety walk last night.

Dean Fedock distributed information on the 2012 President's Fine Art Series. The film, *Miss Representation*, will be held at the Ellen Theater on March 20.

Athletics Director Fields announced MSU is hosting the NCAA Ski Championships. MSU's women's basketball team will be playing in the Big Sky Tournament in Pocatello.

Affirmative Action Director Letendre announced performance reviews are due by April 15. As of today, 69% of MSU-Bozeman faculty and staff have completed the Discrimination and Harassment Training.

Dean Fox announced we will be making public the candidates for the Dean of Arts and Architecture in the next few days. We are currently hosting a five-day graduate student recruiting event on campus.

Senator Hawks announced the Interim Education Subcommittee is discussing a possible statewide property tax to support two-year colleges. Senator Hawks recommended reading the book, Small Town Renaissance: A Story of the Montana Study. This book is excellent on what Montana has accomplished and what needs to be accomplished in the future.

Dean Dana reminded everyone to attend the College of Business site session on March 8 and to please write comments on the College of Business website.

Dean Miller announced the Library is now open until 2:00 pm, Sunday through Thursday. President Cruzado complimented Dean Miller and the Library staff for their success and the great ambiance created in the Library.

Executive Director Calcagni announced University Communications has been working with the Office of Admissions on creating a social networking site for the class of 2016. University Communications recently conducted focus groups in six Montana towns. Four staff members from University Communications recently received Silver and Gold Region Six CASE awards.

AFMSU (NTT) President Cargill announced the Implementation of the Collective Bargaining Agreement is progressing and monthly meetings are being held.

AFMSU (TT) President Osborne announced the Coalition of Union Faculty will continue to attend Board of Regents meetings.

Professional Council Chair Wilkinson announced Professional Council continues to focus on communication and complimented the Office of Sponsored Programs for the information disseminated in their monthly roundtable meetings. Professional Council leadership met with the Board of Regents at the March meeting. Chair Wilkinson invites individuals interested in joining Toastmasters to contact her.

Vice President McCoy announced there will be mandatory training for research investigators, project directors and project staff and students during the month of April. Three major topics will be covered: Protecting University and inventor rights in intellectual property, new conflict of interest regulations and MSU policy changes; and, Title IX information.

Dean Melland announced the College of Nursing is celebrating their 75th Anniversary this year. As of today, receptions have been held in Billings, Kalispell and Missoula.

Director McKamey announced that finalists for Vice President for Administration and Finance will be made public next week.

Vice President Yarnell thanked Dean Caires for his work on the “Dear Colleague” letter. Vice President Yarnell announced our Rodeo program has many scholarships available. President Cruzado announced our goal is to be the first rodeo team in the nation to have a \$1 million endowment.

ASMSU President Bjornson announced the ASMSU Sustainability Director has accepted a new position and ASMSU will be reviewing the position and looking at additional opportunities. ASMSU recently passed a resolution requiring all new campus buildings to be LEED certified. President Bjornson announced Ms. Kiah Abbey was elected ASMSU President for next year and Ms. Lindsay Murdock was elected ASMSU Vice President for next year.

President Cruzado thanked President Bjornson for his great year of service as ASMSU President.

VIII. Public Comment

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 am

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 4, 8:30 am, SUB 233