



## **PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

October 4, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

Miller Administration Betty Hess Lampros Boardroom 319 and Zoom

### **PRESENT:**

Mark Halverson, Interim Vice President for Information Technology

Ravi Krovi, Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Betsy Mennell, Vice President for University Advancement

Jessica Oyler, Vice President for Student Access & Success

Norm Tarbox, Senior Vice President for Administrative Services

Stephanie Hollist, General Counsel

Amanda Geilman, Senior Assistant Registrar –Staff Advisory Council Chair

Sherri Cox, Executive Assistant, Office of the President

Kacy Peckenpaugh, Associate Professor/Foreign Languages, Carnegie Mellon Faculty Presidential Leadership Fellow

### **ZOOM ATTENDEES:**

Brad Mortensen, President

Jason Francis, Associate Professor/Health Sciences Librarian - Faculty Senate Chair

Steven Richardson, Director of Strategic Initiatives

Andrea Baltazar, Associate Professor, Communication/Director Film Studies, Carnegie Mellon Faculty Presidential Leadership Fellow

### **Call to Order:**

President Brad Mortensen called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. and welcomed all in attendance including the new faculty Presidential Leadership Fellows sponsored by the Carnegie Mellon Grant. After brief introductions by all in attendance, the meeting proceeded.

Vice President Adrienne Andrews resignation was discussed. A message including an EDI survey will be sent out to the campus community. Brandon Flores will serve as the Executive Director for the Centers of Belonging and Cultural Engagement. Managers for the centers are in the process of being hired. President Mortensen will be holding listening sessions with EDI groups on campus before appointing an interim for the Vice President for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion position.

### **Meeting Minutes Approval (September 6, 2023):**

Meeting minutes from September 6, 2023, were reviewed.

**Approval:** Meeting minutes from September 6, 2023 were approved.

### **Program Reviews:**

Ravi Krovi, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, discussed the following three program reviews from the Moyes College of Education:

#### **1. Exercise & Sport Science:**

Exercise & Sport Science has two tracks with 260 majors. Enrollment has increased over the past couple of years and the review was good. Suggestions from the review committee included adding more clarity to the mission statement and to have a broader curriculum with a five-year review recommendation.

#### **2. Nutrition Education:**

Nutrition Education is an undergraduate degree with two tracks; nutrition and sports. This is the first program review for this new program with 150 majors and an added tenure track line. Suggestions from the review committee included implementing an advisory board to address curriculum and changes with a seven-year review recommendation.

#### **3. Physical Education**

Physical Education is a secondary teaching major with 55 majors. Enrollment has been flat, but still meets the needs of the community. The CAPES! program run by James Zagrodnik, is an important component. Adding licensure will make the program more valuable. A five-year review recommendation was given by the committee.

**Approval:** The three program reviews were approved to move to the Board of Trustees meeting with a five-year review recommendation for Exercise & Sport Science, a seven-year review recommendation for Nutrition Education, and a five-year review recommendation for Physical Education.

### **College Cost Transparency Initiative (CCTI):**

President Mortensen discussed College Cost Transparency Initiative (CCTI). Weber State will sign on to the initiative after Nov. 1. Marketing and Communication will need to help with the messaging and how to get the news out.

### **Snow Day Communications:**

President Mortensen discussed snow day communications moving forward. Discussion included review of a document on weather-related delay and closure language, proposed text messages for class cancelations and delayed start times, and essential employees and their expectations. The website will be updated with information and links to campus safety.

**Utah System of Higher Education (USHE) /Council of President (COP) Updates:**

President Mortensen reviewed the Monday, October 2, Council of Presidents meeting. Interim Commissioner Landward asked for input on how to make the meetings better. Materials will be sent in advance to give meeting attendees time to research and review prior to the meeting. Several items were discussed including micro-credentials, appropriations, and NCHEMS reports. An additional board meeting will take place on Nov. 3. A search process for the commissioner will include involvement from institutions.

**Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda (Draft) 2023-10-24:**

President Mortensen discussed the Board of Trustees Meeting draft agenda for October 24. Provost Krovi will confer with Trustee Lori Belnap Pehrson, Academic Policy Committee Chair, about adding special topics to the agenda.

**Upcoming Events:**

Upcoming events were reviewed in the agenda packet. Homecoming events will start next week and the website is up and running.

**Other:**

No other items were discussed during the meeting.

**Adjourn:**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 10:11 a.m.