

PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 2, 2023 – 8:00 a.m. Miller Administration Betty Hess Lampros Boardroom 319 and Zoom

PRESENT:

Dr. Brad Mortensen, President
Ms. Adrienne Andrews, Vice President of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion & Chief Diversity Officer
Dr. Ravi Krovi, Provost & Vice President of Academic Affairs
Dr. Betsy Mennell, Vice President for University Advancement
Dr. Jessica Oyler, Vice President for Student Access & Success
Dr. Norm Tarbox, Vice President for Administrative Services
Ms. Stephanie Hollist, General Counsel
Ms. Amanda Geilman, Senior Assistant Registrar –Staff Advisory Council Chair
Ms. Sherri Cox, Executive Assistant, Office of the President
Mr. Steven Richardson, Director of Strategic Initiatives

ZOOM ATTENDEES:

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

EXCUSED:

Dr. Bret Ellis, Vice President for Information Technology

Call to Order:

President Brad Mortensen called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

Meeting Minutes Approval (June 28, 2023):

Meeting minutes from June 28, 2023, were reviewed.

Approval: Meeting minutes from June 28, 2023 were approved.

Early Retirement – Bret Ellis:

Vice President Norm Tarbox discussed the early retirement request for Vice President Bret Ellis.

Approval: The early retirement request for Bret Ellis was approved and will move to the Board of Trustees Executive Committee meeting for approval at the Aug. 3, 2023 meeting.

Updating Continuity of Operations Plans (COOPs):

Norm Tarbox discussed the need to update COOPs at the university for each department.

Utah System of Higher Education (USHE) Peer Justification Document:

Provost Ravi Krovi discussed USHE Peer Justification, which gives WSU the opportunity to do benchmarking with peer institutions similar to WSU. A request to approve the peer list was made.

Approval: The USHE Peer Justification document was approved and will move to the September Board of Trustees meeting for approval.

USHE/Council of President (COP) Updates:

President Mortensen discussed items from the Monday, July 31, COP meeting.

President Mortensen discussed the community college study update shared by Taylor Adams from the Utah Board of Higher Education. Enrollment trends reports are expected to be sent out.

Trustees Planning Retreat Orientation Meeting Agenda:

President Mortensen discussed the Trustees Planning Retreat Orientation Meeting agenda for August 14.

Upcoming Events:

Upcoming events were reviewed in the agenda packet.

Other:

Other items briefly discussed by President Mortensen included (a) the Year 2 Report on Amplified was reviewed from MarComm, (b) a press release from AASCU on Weber State University's sustainability award, and (c) Vice President Oyler is rolling out a new org chart for the Student Access & Success division.

Adjourn:

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 9:14 a.m.