MINUTES
IPFW University Council
Thursday, September 10, 2015 - 3:00
Walb Student Union, Room 222-4-6


Unable to Attend: Badia, Chang, Collins, Davich, Dixon, Masters, T. Jackson, Marcuccilli, Nothnagel, Obergfell, Sternberger, Wagenfeld, Wilkinson, Whitney

Guests: none

Enrollment – Drummond
- Freshman enrollments directly from high school are up 4.7% to 1,584, compared to 1,513 in 2014
- New students are taking more credit hours, up 7.5% over last year. For the first time ever, these students are taking more than 14 credit hours on average
- Graduate enrollments are up 3.5% to 559, and graduate credit hours, up 3.4% to 3,676. International student enrollment increased by almost 20%, to 259 students, up from 217 in 2014.
- Dual credit has stabilized to almost 14,400 for first time in almost a decade

Introduction of New Members – Carwein
Angie Fincannon, Vice Chancellor for Advancement, Eric Link, Dean of Arts and Sciences, Tamara Brownlee, Director of Human Resources and Institutional Equity, and Marcia Dixson, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Teaching and Learning.

University Communications Plan – Kaufeld
- With the assistance of Nicole Wilkins, faculty and staff were surveyed with a 50% response rate
- Suggestions to improve campus communication
  - Bring back electronic reader board
  - Establish a Communications Advisory group
  - Create a policies page on the website
  - Establish a new campus event calendar
  - Reformat “From the Desk of the Chancellor”
  - Create a news blog
  - Facilitate information with the communication team

Library Renovation – Truesdell
- Renovations will begin in December 2015 and be completed December 2016
- Renovations include replacing HVAC, updating electrical and network, fire suppression system and some interior architectural changes
- Services such as 24/7 virtual library, reserves, and document delivery will be available during the renovation period
- Many staff members have moved or will move to other locations during the construction.
- The Honors Center and CATV will be open, but accessibility restricted. Studio B35 will be re-located during construction.
- Important dates
December 20, 2015 – Library closes
December 20, 2015 – January 3, 2016 – Staff re-locates
January 4, 2016 – Services available from Library Services Center, first floor library entrance and Library Information Desk on second floor Sky bridge south end.

USAP – Burg, Oxtoby
- In her convocation address, Chancellor Carwein challenged the campus community to:
  - think outside of our current structures and ways of doing things
  - identify programs and services that are poised for growth and investment
  - ask what new and innovative programming we should be investing in
  - reject thinking that maintains the status quo
  - suggest creative and innovative ways to offer programs and deliver services that clearly demonstrate that student success is not only the top priority of IPFW in words of our Strategic plan, but that we live it and promote it every day in everything we do
  - ask the question, how do we create a better future for IPFW so that we grow in distinction, in value and in service to our metropolitan area
- Components of 2015-16 analysis and evaluation - Patton
  - USAP Report (accomplishments, goals, progress, resources needed, context and comment to other data sources
  - Performance measures, by division
  - Employment outlook (academic programs only)
  - Employment data (Academic Programs only)
- Timeline and Progress
  - Report deadline – October 23
  - Release of report and recommendations – December 4

International Education – Mylrea
- International student enrollment has seen a 20% increase this year, to 249 students.
- Countries with the largest student populations include China, Bangladesh, India, Angola, and Saudi Arabia
- STEM fields referrals from West Lafayette account for a significant portion of the increase, with business also a popular major
- Better coordination and full staffing are also responsible for the increase

Open Discussion
- Omnibus Lecture Series begins October 7 with Eric Olson, a retired US Navy admiral. November 5 will be Bill McKibben, an American environmentalist, author, and journalist, and the season will close on March 24 with American Political Commentator James Carville and his wife Mary Matalin, political consultant.
- The Mastodon Roast will be held on October 1 at the Alumni Center.
- IPFW license plate purchases were encouraged
MEETING ADJOURNED at 4:23 p.m.