

SPBAC MEETING NOTES

December 13, 2017

1:30-3:00 p.m.

Members in Attendance: Kevin Allen, Megan Buzby, Karen Carey, Rick Caulfield, Gail Cheney, Michael Ciri, Mae Delcastillo, Brad Ewing, Jill Hanson, Barbara Hegel, Kolene James, Nathan Leigh, Deb Lo, Paula Martin, Priscilla Schulte, Eric Scott, Julie Vigil,

1. Deans and Directors Presentations

Paula Martin – Interim Dean of Arts and Sciences

Budget cuts have had an impact on the School; and tuition increases may have had an impact on retention. Faculty have been doing outreach to increase; they are analyzing whether or not they have sufficient sections to meet student needs. The issue of Summer School was raised but summer school will only work for GERs, Writing and Math classes. Distance programs in the summer were also discussed.

Nathan Leigh - Director of Facilities

Consultants have been hired to work on Auke Bay Marine Station and plans are moving forward.

Megan Buzby – Faculty Senate Chair

Senate is looking at concurrent enrollment versus Tech Prep and Transfer for students with AA degrees and those who have completed all of their GERs. A position is posted for a faculty member to serve in CELT, hoping that the individual can begin serving in fall 2018. A UA rally will be held downtown on February 2 from 12 -1 to show support for higher education. Everyone is invited.

Kevin Allen – President, United Students of UAS

Student government is exploring increases for student pay, an energy initiative, and there are openings on the Board. They have given out \$2500 in travel grants to five students and can give out up to 8. Student government has additional monies and is looking for ways to spend the monies.

Priscilla Schulte – Director, Ketchikan campus

Discussed the Ketchikan Enrollment Plan and how it was developed, and that the development of the plan resulted in the creation of a Learning Center, a Testing Center and a Student Center. Faculty are focusing on eLearning, and developing more partnerships in the community. She meets with her instructional leadership team regularly.

Jill Hanson – Director, Sitka campus

Will present on January 25

Barbara Hegel – Registrar
Will present on January 25

Mae Delcastillo – Administrative Assistant
Will present on January 25

Kolene James – President, Staff Council
Presenting at Spring Startup. Will be visiting Sitka and Ketchikan.

Gail Cheney – Director, Human Resources
No budget oversight

2. Budget update – Michael Ciri
No information about the budget yet. The BOR requested \$341M. Administrative services has \$70K beyond personnel which includes HR, Budget, Facilities, and IT. Not much discretionary monies. Have undergone several audits internally and an annual external audit. There have been issues raised about student fees and they will treat fees as they do tuition. People can provide comments about the student rating system and the work order processes. Help Desk has been providing excellent services.
3. UAS Annual Priorities – Karen Carey
The UAS Annual Priorities spreadsheet was presented to all members of the committee for review and input. Each priority has been assigned and the three main areas are going to be continually updating the document
4. Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.