BSUFA Meet and Confer Minutes March 4, 2015 4:00-6:00pm Deputy 301A

Members in attendance: President Hanson, Sheila Paul, Carolyn Townsend, Tom Fauchald, Pat Guilfoile, James Parker, William Maki, Troy Gilbertson, Jeff Ueland, Provost Tadlock, Sarah Tarutis, Keith Marek

Topic	Discussion	Action/Outcome/Rationale
Opening queries:	 Are any faculty members currently under investigation? Nature of investigation (no names needed). Have any investigations been completed? Results? 	WM-"No" WM "No"
Updates:	1. Facilities: WM. Thanks for names for committee. Designers, then shot list. No changes in schedule. Going in April 2015. Work continues in Memorial. University Heights. April, 56 units, 4 story unit, next to ask for funding March meeting, Developers own the property, BSU will manage as part of the residence halls. 2. Positions: PG Probationary-filled, CJ in process, 3 BA positions, Nursing 1 position in interview status, Bio positions filled, ESreview of claiming request, English closed, PEDL program, collaborative with NH, ACCT-advertising stage, 80/20 advertising stage nursing 3. Budget: WM. Lots of unknowns for 2016. Feb forecast positive. Governor earmarked more for MNSCU with tuition freezes. Waiting to hear about next House/Senate actions. Will need to make adjustments accordingly depending on enrollment status. Spring enrollment at projections. 4. Campaign update: PH. Yesterday BSU got a one million dollar planned gift. At 33 million. CA and AZ trip planned.	rt .
	5. <u>Enrollment</u> : JP. MT feels there is	

	1	reason to celebrate. If we can	
	(convert international students-	
	t	trending in positive direction	
		BSU Senate update: JU Responses	Maintain communication
	_	to PH and MT about Senate activity.	
		Changes to Goal areas 1 and 2-	Changes will be phased in.
		passed. Looking at writing across	Changes win be phased in.
		the curriculum. Public speaking in	
		Goal area one.	
	_	Fast track curriculum-concern about	Senate members
		things falling through the cracks.	appreciate the work done
		Rejected at this point. By default, 10	to articulate a process and
	(day implementation, ?substantive	will send
		change-overall language concerns.	recommendations for
		Equity committee coordination-	improvement/clarity
	_	diversity work plan from MNSCU	
		(draft form)-very narrow (ethnicity	
		and gender). Good workshops and	
		taskforce-better coordination of	
		these efforts. How do we have input	
		into this plan? Desire to give real	
		meaningful feedback.	
		NTC update: PH. Moving HLC	
		forward, chairs/committees assigned	
		for each criteria. Griggs. Schedule	
	•	visit in fall 2015.	
Carry Over Agenda	1. <u>1</u>	Load sheets and lab credit changes:	Goal is to make this
Items From 1/21/15]	Lab courses diversity in how	process as simple and
	1	recorded, Olney, Guilfoile, how	clear as possible.
		faculty get paid. Strategies of how to	•
		deal with this? PG met with biology.	
		Whatever is entered on the schedule,	
		that is what shows up on the load	
		sheet. Lots of changes in some areas.	
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		Details? Fall-labs worth 1-1.33, 1.67	
		for same 2 hour lab. Needs to be	
		more predictable. Agreement b/t	
		Dean and department so there is	
		predictability.	
	_	BSU checklist for unclassified hires	JU will bring the newest
	<u> </u>	with timelines. Timeline for	timeline to Senate
	ι	unclassified hire-PG. Point out-prior	
	t	to advertising-time may be longer	
		(closer to 20 days) and following	
		posting (10 days-really 20 days in	
	-	reality). Goal is to fit within 90 days	
	<u> </u>	control, Cours to the within 70 days	

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		(submission to offer)	
	3.	Roster changes MT. Sachel	
		Josephson-correction will be made	
New agenda items:	1.	Summer Chair proposed agreement.	
		See below (rearranged to	
		accommodate RH)	
	2.	Leadership Program Director. MT.	
		(coordinator)-like Honors, proposed	
		position-1 course release q semester,	
		run same process in academic affairs	
		in special programs-asking for	
		thoughts, effective in fall 2015,	
		minor, plan advertise in spring 2015.	
	3	Academically Underprepared	Requesting 3 BSUFA
	3.	Student Committee. 3 BSUFA	members for this
		members-JP. Overall enrollment-	committee-JU to put out a
		underprepared students, data student	call as soon as possible
		success (graduates)-below 20 ACT,	and discuss at next Senate
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		below 2.0, graduating below 20%	meeting
		(upper 50% of graduating hs class).	
		Developmental ed, advising,	
		tutoring, what do we have in our	
		resources to help students succeed	
		that are not prepared academically.	
		?why not add to SEMP? Different	
		populations. Dean Greer would be	
		better Dean to sit on this committee.	
		Math/English would be good. At	
		large and direct other positions.	
		Gateway courses and 1 st year	
		programs- Timeframe-put out call as	
		quickly as possible (talk to Derrick	
		Webb and Larry Swain).	
	4.	System financial stress testing and	
		resiliency. WM. Heads up at	
		MNSCU Board level-at January	
		meeting, BOT presentation of	
		resiliency at system level. BSU	
		about in the middle, NTC less so.	
		Pioneer Press wants to see data-list	
		of facilities in financial recovery	
		planning. March-financial stress	
		tests. Asking for 2015 data and are	
		looking at what if scenarios. WM	
		will share our information-could	
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- create unwarranted concern if you don't understand the whole context around it.
- 5. Proposed parking changes for 201516. WM. Issues-students can't park where they live, can't remove snow well, don't treat visitors well, we have only one permit creates lots of driving on campus-Plan commuter versus residential options. Don't have enough money to take care of our lots. User fees (parking) currently used. Over 2 million needed, have 50 million allotted. Proposed charges in line with other universities (rural). Changes in parking patterns.
- 6. <u>Title 9 report</u>. WM. 2014 large capital improvement-women's soccer and football, one-time expense
- 7. <u>Sabbatical requests</u>. MT. 3 declined. JU faculty concerned about rejection of requests. Language states they applied too early. Need letters that would reflect accurate reasoning.
- 8. PDP process/calendar: JU. Come up with a calendar-try to push plan closer to start and completion to end of school. Maybe more constrained in probationary considerations. Recommendation from faculty? What kind of timing is needed by administration? Admin is in favor of further improving the process/timelines. PG 5th year probation, those up for tenure-to align dates so they aren't so different. Documentation can be offered in one binder. Numbers of faculty in some departments and allowing Deans time to respond in a meaningful way. MT will look at this. JU to take it to Senate.
- 9. <u>Laptop refresh</u>: RG. See email from Rob Carruthers. Positive, cost of

JU will bring the proposed parking changes for 2015-16 to Senate

JU requested that the rejection letters be redrafted to reflect accurate reasoning

JU will take the PDP process/calendar situation to the Senate

- surface pro has come down. Macs expensive. Dells new version and touch screen available. Machines available for review in IT.
- 10. IT comprehensive review: RG. Provide opportunity for input for CIO search. What's working? What's not? Lost a bit of contact with other campuses. April 1, 2, 3, vice chancellor tech and associate chancellor tech, network server director, security-will visit with different groups. Will be looking for faculty input for better structure and recommendations before we move forward with new position (CIO). Retirements upcoming, competing demands, etc.
- 11. Proposed course evaluation implementation. MT. Senateagainst-takes outside PDP process. Volunteer departments-not pleased, not informed. Academic freedom? Imposed method of evaluation. CPD in middle-level of trust, if new faculty needs assistance and they are in charge of evaluation, will they continue to reach out for assistance? Lack of clarity-CPD mentioned in context of form (not running the process). If faculty don't complyprogressive discipline? Haven't talked about this? i.e. smokingdiscipline rules? Termination? Evaluations-distribute to everyone? Implementation. MAP-frustration. How many faculty don't do evaluations? MT examples-faculty tenured, selectively include feedback. Students are afraid to complain? Submit-rate my professor "go there". Interested in reliability and validity. ? Contract? Tenured folks? Serve students. KM what are you and Dean's going to do with the evaluation? Proposed? If tenured

faculty don't listen or make changes in PDP as per discussions with Dean at review-systems issue. TF Moorhead has a process-focus groups. IFO lost in arbitration. MT wants students to have an input into what is happening in the classroom. How do we get there within contracts? Lots of student pressure TF interest in publishing teacher evaluations. JU-how do we improve? Just antagonize the faculty. TF at Senate-not peaceful. MT there is a misuse of student evaluation. What we are doing now is not working. This is a pilot. PH not a new conversation-student rating, it is reliable and valid and it works. It is a tradition supported by a contract that has caused people to think that student rating of instructors in inappropriate. Whatever is decided-don't lose sight of the students and their success.

- 12. <u>Interim Dean of Nursing</u>. MT. Plan? Associate Provost Rochester. Will not search this spring. Going to wait and talk to President to determine a plan.
- 13. <u>Charting the future</u>. PH. Summary of recent conversations. Exec calluse good ideas, different method-support moving on.
- 14. Chair proposal for summer: MT would you like to do this at BSU? Association needs to sign off (3 way). TF Extra duty days with other entities? Negotiate with Dean when the Chair will be there. Directors? Extra duty days? Expectations of work-questions 24/7, if specific on duty days, how about outside these days? Emails constantly. Recruiting? Transfer advising? Problem per MT-want consistency across the University. Is this something we

JU will take this to the Senate for discussion

	want to do? Will send to Senate for feedback? Expectations for future (not necessary for 2015). Meeting adjourned at 1750	
Future Meeting		
Dates:		
March 25, 2015		
May 6, 2015		

Respectfully submitted:
Sarah Tarutis