

## **9/7/12 Administrative Council Meeting Minutes**

**In attendance:** Dr. Sheila Adams, Angie Atkins, Menuka Ban, Dr. Monica Riley for Peppy Bidy, Dr. Jim Borsig, Sirena Cantrell, Eric Dawson, James Denney, Melanie Freeman, Maridith Geuder, Gail Gunter, Dave Haffly, Dr. Marty Hatton, Dr. Mark Bean for Dr. Sue Jolly-Smith, Larry Jones, Carla Lowery, Anika Perkins, Tammy Prather, Dr. Tom Richardson, Perry Sansing, Lindsey Shelnut, Susan Sobley, Rich Sobolewski, Andrea Stevens, Kimberly Taylor-Gathings, Dr. Scott Tollison, Dr. Royal Toy, and Ken Widner.

**Absent:** Jasmine Becton, Lucy Betcher, Dewey Blansett, Kate Brown, Lesia Bryant, Cassie Derden, Jessica Harpole, Dr. Dan Heimmermann, Dr. Jennifer Miles, Dan Miller, Nora Miller, Shelley Moss, Mary Margaret Roberts, Lana Robinson, Mary Slater, and Dr. Tom Velek.

Dr. Jim Borsig called the meeting to order.

### **Minutes** -

Following a motion by Perry Sansing and a second by Gail Gunter, the minutes from the August 2012 meeting were approved.

### **President's Update** -

Dr. Borsig reported that the Fall 2012 enrollment numbers for the IHL system have not been released, but he feels like they will be flat or declining. The report should be out next week. MUW enrolled more freshmen and more transfers than last year.

He said the IHL Board is hiring a consultant to help develop a new funding formula. The consultant may be at the IHL Board Retreat scheduled for later this month. Dr. Borsig believes a funding formula will be adopted this time because there is support for it from both IHL Board members and from legislators. The Legislature is focused on performance measures so that will need to be a part of the formula. He feels MUW is in better shape on performance measures this time than the last time a funding formula was discussed.

The Legislature will hold its budget hearings later this month. He expects there to be a bond bill, but he does not expect an increase in state funding.

Dr. Borsig welcomed Maridith Geuder as the Executive Director of University Relations.

### **Faculty Senate Update** -

Dr. Royal Toy said Kim Dorsey has been voted to serve as Faculty Senate Vice President.

### **Staff Council Update** -

No report.

**SGA Update** –

Menuka Ban reported the SGA elections are coming up, and they are switching from Banner Web to Blackboard in hopes of better participation. The first SGA meeting will be held September 17, and the SGA retreat is September 21-22.

**Other Updates** –

Perry Sansing announced that the first meeting of the Athletics Phase I Committee will be held September 12, and a second meeting should be held about a month later. The purpose of this group is to give a yes or no to the question of whether MUW should conduct a self-study for bringing back athletics. The Phase I committee includes several MUW faculty, staff and students, plus key people in athletics from the community and around the state.

Dr. Borsig mentioned the dialog sessions scheduled for this month. MUW hired the ID Group to facilitate these sessions. Approximately 150 people – faculty, staff, students, alumni, and community and state representatives – were invited to participate in the six sessions. The purpose of the dialogs is to have our constituents be a part of the conversation in developing the core message for recruiting students and talking with donors. It will not be a report; it will be visual.

Dr. Borsig reported that he has not signed PS 1313 yet because he would like a new step added to the policy process to check that MUW policy is consistent with IHL Board policy.

**Policies** –

Following a motion by Perry Sansing and a second by Sheila Adams, the Administrative Council voted to accept PS 1101 (Responsibilities of Heads of Academic Divisions) into the review process. A justification for deleting this policy needs to be attached to the policy.