

President's Council Notes

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Committee Reports

- Academic Council
 - Broke into three committees
 - Curriculum committee
 - Discuss changes to courses before bringing it to academic councils
 - Academic council
 - 25 faculty representatives plus students
 - Voting on changes with different departments
 - Core curriculum revisions for next year
 - Possible partnership with Washington on medical school program, changes taking place
 - New courses for upcoming year
 - Academic committee on senate
 - Dead week remains a big topic
 - Many ideas occurring, including changes for study week schedule (cannot take away days of class)
- Publications Board
 - New Bulletin editor-in-chief, will be meeting with soon
- Budget Committee
 - Working to advocate for additional funds
- Athletic Council
 - Two meetings this semester
 - Goal of council is to share information between administrators
 - Updates on NCAA and other groups
 - Main topic is Division I athletics at Gonzaga, West Coast, and nationally
 - University official gives updates with athletics, especially academics/service with athletes
 - Includes representatives from tutoring center
 - New academic center for athletes (plus hall of fame) near Rudolf but many years into the future
- Advisory Council on Stewardship and Sustainability
 - New director of sustainability
 - Currently dissolved
 - Possible new committee could be formed with faculty representatives
 - Currently a smaller group formed to carry out sustainability projects on campus
 - Working with CLP on project to evaluate campus sustainability
 - Going through process to rate campus sustainability
 - Hemmingson is huge for sustainability label due to greater features
 - New technology to determine sustainability records
 - Possible work with campus services on solar panels
 - Monitoring building sustainability
- Security Council

- Few meetings this semester, mainly at beginning of year with new security director
- Looking at new security app to replace the blue light phones on campus
 - App will give alerts as well as have panic button feature
 - Still need to set up meeting with company
- Senate security council
 - Provide consoling and assistance to Gonzaga students in Florence
 - Evaluating Zagalert after storm
 - Could it be used to provide updates, especially with events nearby campus to provide most accurate information to students
 - Mainly focused around problems occurring last semester, trying to ensure everyone gets updates/on program
 - Possibly require zagalert to register?
 - Smoke free campus work
- Mission Advisory Council
 - Broke off into small committees (3-4 people per group, meeting outside of council meetings)
 - Mission
 - Integrity
 - Examining information about goals for Jesuit school's operations (academics, mission, etc.)
 - Not as much student focused, much is about university operations and goals
 - Run by Father Case, but future changes could occur and examining this in later semester
 - Mission
 - Focus on university educational departments
 - Varied role, apparently few strict guidelines, trying to tackle mission from many different perspectives
- Diversity Council
 - Minimal meetings
 - Biggest goal: define "diversity" in terms of what president's council members role would be
 - Get more information about diversity/cultural clubs out to students, events to unite student groups and publicize their goals
 - Promote openness of cultural clubs
 - Clubs often connected to each other, but not always student population
 - Background to diversity committee
 - Will be announced officially by Dr. McCulloh soon
 - Ensuring everything is set, working to make this group very connected with other universities and all policies