PAC Notes
November 17, 2015

Present: Baker, Bowen, Bower, Brannon, Crafton, Donohoe, Flanders, Fraboni, Gantner, Gordon, Head, Hendricks, Hester, Byrd (for Hicks), Hoff, Homesley, Jenks, Jones, Kral, Kramer, Lewis, Lingrell, Mackel, Marrero, McCandless, Prince (for McIntyre), Overfield, Reeves, Richards, Schuessler, Sears, Sutherland, and Whitaker

- Dr. Marrero announced UWG’s first conference title in football in GSC. For the first time in UWG history, the NCAA selected the University of West Georgia to host the second round playoff game on Saturday, November 28 at noon.
- Ms. Brannon reminded everyone of the all staff forum this Thursday at 10 a.m. in the Ballroom.
- Mr. Rodney Byrd mentioned the Great American Smokeout Wellness Initiative that will be held this Thursday at 11 a.m. outside the TLC.
- Dr. Lingrell announced there will be a Town Hall meeting on Monday, November 30th at 6:30 p.m. in the Ballroom. Focus will be an educational experience on blackface...why it is offensive. Good opportunity for student dialogue about this issue. Dr. Whitaker also mentioned that a group of students will be in the grassy area near the UCC from 2-3:00 p.m. to pass out educational info about the topic.
- Dr. Marrero mentioned that this would be Ashley Jones’ last PAC meeting as she has accepted the position of Assistant Vice Chancellor for Government Relations at the System Office. Congratulations!
- Dr. Marrero also mentioned that the searches are in the beginning stages for the VP for ITS (CIO) and for the Senior Diversity Officer.

1. Gossip

2. SI 1 & 4, Student & Operational Success: Enrollment and Revenue Projections – Dr. Crafton and Ms. Fowler: Dr. Crafton shared a presentation on the Fee Category Enrollment Projection Model that he and Ms. Fowler have created. For fall 2015, our revenue is based on 91.44% in-state tuition, 2.94% out of state tuition, and 5.62% waivers.

3. SI 1, 2, 3 & 4: Web Design Update – Ms. Bower and Ms. Hallman: Ms. Hallman presented our new website design. All university websites utilize the same design template and navigation. The site will be more user-friendly and attractive with more color and pictures. It will also be mobile friendly. Will begin roll-out in April. There are 230 sites. The first 40 main sites should be ready in August. PAC acknowledged Ms. Hallman’s great work.

4. SI 4, Operational Success: Requests for Official Data – Drs. Jenks and Head: Our Enrollment Management Office looks at goals and projections for future terms. Institutional Effectiveness and Assessment (IEA) has information on current or prior terms. IEA is our official data keeper. Drs. Jenks and Head distributed a handout listing items that each of their offices provide.
5. **SI 1, 2 & 4: Graduate School – Dr. Overfield:** The Graduate School was eliminated in 2010. We went from a centralized model to a decentralized model. The Office of Graduate and International Admissions was created 1½ year ago and is headed by Dr. Toby Ziglar. We have 2,081 graduate students. This is a very diverse group. Graduate Assistantship positions are being reviewed; there is no consistency in compensation, job duties, or hiring processes. We need to create a Graduate School, which would make UWG more like other schools our size. We need a central office/location to make ideas realities. Some specific opportunities are sponsoring 3-minute thesis competitions, collaborating with UWG Newnan, and providing travel funds for graduate students to present at conferences. These issues have been looked at by the FS Graduate Programs Committee, which drafted a statement that was approved by Faculty Senate earlier this month.

6. **SI 1, 2, 3 & 4: FY2017 Budget Request – Dr. Marrero:** Our budget hearing at the USG is scheduled for December 2nd. We are requesting $4.7M in new recurring funding - $3.2M in new funds, $350,000 via a 9% graduate tuition, and $1,150,000 via a 2.5% undergraduate tuition.