Ms. Bower promoted the latest extension of the UWG Protect the Pack program - the UWG/Stanley Black & Decker Safety & Security Summit to be held on Friday, September 8th and Saturday, September 9th (game day).

Dr. Porcena announced that there are about 100 people signed up for the courageous conversations, but they are mostly on the left of issues. There is a need of courageous leaders on the right to match pairs (i.e. on the side of creation and not evolution; climate change is a hoax…). Please sign up and do not worry. Dr. Porcena has a proven record of conducting similar dialogues in communities and on college campuses and will provide ground rules and steps for keeping the conversation safe and so worth the courage.

Dr. McIntyre invited everyone to the RCOB anniversary celebration on October 17th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Ballroom – 50 years of business and 20 years as Richards College!

Dr. Lok summarized The Great UWG Solar Eclipse: over 40,000 pairs of glasses given out in community including over 3,000 on-campus, outstanding media coverage by Times-Georgian, New York Times, and GPB.

Dr. Marrero added that Congressman Drew Ferguson was on campus to witness the eclipse, toured the School of Nursing, and met with student leaders.

Dr. Marrero provided a brief update and overview of the off-campus incident that occurred early Friday morning, August 18th.

1. **SI 1-4: Enrollment & Student Performance Updates (Lingrell and Jenks):** As of this morning, we have 13,565 students enrolled. The numbers are changing constantly. New student enrollment, dual enrollment, and new graduate student enrollment are all up. First-time full-time freshman retention rate is 72.88%. Graduate rates 4 & 5-year are record indicators though the 6-year went down slightly but will be in record territory next year. Dr. Marrero acknowledged and thanked all the departments who worked effortlessly through the reinstatement period.

2. **SI 4: FY18 Approved Fees and Fee Process for Next Year (Sutherland and Gantner):** We are redoing our process as all fees have to be approved every year. Business & Finance and Academic Affairs will add a feedback step to the process for approving student fee requests. This will give the committee and colleges/units the opportunity to provide clarifying language for requests that the VPBF and President initially deny. Justification narratives are very important…should be detailed and concise.

Here is the process we're looking at:

- B&F will adjust the working timeline to provide about a week where we can insert a feedback mechanism after the VPBF and President do their initial approval or denial of requests. Jim said they plan to start the process around September 1st.
• Colleges and AA units send fee requests - every fee existing and new - to the Academic Affairs Fee Review Committee for review and recommendations.
• Committee meets and makes recommendations to VPBF and President.
• VPBF and President do a first run at approving and denying the requests. They then return the document to the committee and colleges/units for feedback. Committee reviews their denials and - if needed - reframes the language of denied requests or asks the college/unit to better explain in writing the needs.
• Committee sends the revisions (clearly marked) back to VPBF and President for their final approval or denial.
• VPBF submits campus student fee requests to the BOR.

3. **SI 4: FY19 Budget Process & Updates (Marrero):** Everyone should be working through the FY19 process right now. First level is due by the end of August. Narrative and supporting documents are due to the System Office by October 20th. Any increase in tuition will be nominal this year. Our base allocation will be established on our enrollment numbers from 12,829 to 13,308 students. Also, Dr. Gantner and her team have been tasked to look at possibly tweaking the academic calendar a little bit, especially for fall semester.

4. **SI 4: New Employee Orientation Update (Hicks):** Orientation for all new employees will now consist of two days…Work West and Wolf Life. Work West is scheduled on the first day of employment. Wolf Life will happen after their first semester is complete. The session will be for faculty and staff, except for in August, Academic Affairs will handle faculty orientation. The new process will start September 1st. The start date for all new people may only be the first day of a pay period. Through November, monthly employees can begin between the 1st day of a month and the 15th. At the August 8th BOR meeting, there were some student sexual misconduct policy updates. If a hearing is needed, it must go through the Office of Community Standards. If an employee issue goes to a hearing, then it goes to Title IX in HR. If a case leads to a suspension or dismissal, the case will be forwarded to the System Office. If we believe a student or employee needs to be dismissed or suspended, we have a number to call and USG staff will let us know within one hour whether or not to go ahead with the sanction. We need to add to our website the language that a student, staff, or faculty member can contact the Office of Civil Rights. Also, regarding the Salary Administration Plan, we must send to the System Office how we handle salary increases retention, merit, etc. Ms. Hicks also announced that we have confirmed the Emerging Leaders for the year.

5. **SI 4: Facility Updates (Marrero and Bowen):** The Biology project lost a little time due to the weather but still on schedule for late May 2018. Would then purchase fixtures and furniture and move in in July. BOR approved for the College of Business, $1.7M design money, and asking for $14.9M for GEO bond…$23.5M for total project. We are partnering with Tanner on our new Health Center. Currently going through due diligence process with the System Office. This November, we will present the final plan and cost proposal. If approved, we could possibly start construction in April or May with plans to possibly move in in January 2018. The UWG Foundation sold the lot on the corner of Lovvorn and Brumbelow Road to the City to build a new fire station. Working also on moving the baseball stadium, tennis courts, and track to the Athletic Complex. DumontJanks will be working on our campus master plan. There will be lots of opportunity for feedback and will probably take about a year. P3 phase 2 is on hold.