Minutes PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL Approved October 9, 2013

PRESENT: GUESTS:

President Chuck Wight
Vice President Norm Tarbox

Derek Payne & Celestia Carson - VCBO

Provost Mike Vaughan
Vice President Jan Winniford EXCUSED:

Vice President Brad Mortensen Vice President Bret Ellis

Adrienne Andrews JoAnne Robinson

Volunteers

ACTION

Affordable Health

Care Act Update

1. The meeting convened at 8:00 a.m.

Minutes 2. The minutes from the September 25, 2013 meeting were approved.

Consent Calendar 3. The following Consent Calendar items were approved:

(Early Retirement) Farhang Amiri, Physics, Total Retirement, effective

June 30, 2014

4. VP Tarbox reported that a form has been developed to identify volunteers so if participants are injured the activities can be covered. Areas on campus that use volunteers will be notified of this requirement. VP Winniford stated that she would review this with her division, but she didn't expect any problems. Provost Vaughan added that he wanted the people at the clinical sites exempted because that has already been addressed

President's Council approved use of the volunteer form subject to completion of final details.

5. VP Tarbox distributed information received from our

medical benefits consultant regarding offering voluntary benefits for students. The consultant advised that WSU wait to see if the marketplace adequately meets the needs of students before moving forward with any other plans. VP Tarbox suggested that the medical benefits advisory committee be assigned to monitor this issue.

President Wight added that he had received a request that the Community Outreach Program offer community members help in navigating the marketplace offerings.

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Provost Vaughan replied that Bruce Davis, Dean of Continuing Education, has already said they would do that.

VP Tarbox advised President's Council that the only reasonable way to track the issue with hourly employees is to impose a hard ceiling on hours worked at 59 hours per pay period. He stated that we would have to have a policy approved by the Board of Trustees before January 2014.

PPM 2-9, Honorary Degrees and Commencement Speakers 6. VP Mortensen reported that the policy information given to the Honorary Degree and Commencement Speaker committee is different than the official policy. He asked if PPM 2-9 should be changed. Provost Vaughan suggested that the information given to the committee be identified as guidelines rather than as a policy.

2016-2017 Academic Calendar

7. Provost Vaughan requested approval of the proposed 2016-2017 Academic Calendar

ACTION

President's Council approved the 2016-2017 Academic Calendar.

Tracy Hall Science Center Schematic Design 8. Celestia Carson and Derek Payne, from VCBO Architects, reviewed with President's Council the preliminary schematic design for the Tracy Hall Science Center.

125th Anniversary Party 9. VP Mortensen reported that Nancy Collinwood, Executive Director of Alumni Relations, had volunteered to head up a group to plan an event for faculty, staff, students and the broader community in celebration of the university's 125th anniversary. The group will begin planning for the event and report a budget request to President's Council.

Grad Fair Follow-Up

10. VP Mortensen informed President's Council that the Alumni Association Executive Committee agreed to have the Bookstore move forward with plans for a Grad Fair. VP Tarbox requested names from each division for the planning group.

Next Meetings

11. The next meeting of President's Council will be as follows:

 Oct 23
 8:00 am - 10:00 am
 Board Room

 Nov 6
 8:00 am - 10:00 am
 Board Room