The members of the Adams State University President’s Executive Council convened in a regular meeting on February 3, 2014 in room 315E, Porter Hall.

Call to Order: President Svaldi called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Attendance:

Carol Guerrero-Murphy – Present          Michael Mumper – Present
Heather Heersink – Present               Frank Novotny – Present
Lori Laske – Present                     Tracy Rogers – Present
Tammy Lopez – Present                    David Svaldi – Present
Bill Mansheim – Present                  Julie Waechter – Excused
Ken Marquez – Present                    James Trujillo – Present
Larry Mortensen – Present

Guest(s): None

Approval of Summary

The January 20, 2014 meeting summary was approved by consent.

Agenda Items

Board of Trustee Agenda Discussion

President Svaldi and Council briefly discussed the upcoming Board of Trustees meeting that is scheduled to take place in the Denver area on February 13-14, 2014.

American Council on Education (ACE) “Change in Innovation Lab”

Dr. Mumper, Vice President for Enrollment Management and Program Development, informed Council that the American Council in Education (ACE) is launching a “Change and Innovation Lab” (CIL), which is a project to help colleges and universities implement significant and sustainable initiatives to increase the number of first-generation and nontraditional students who gain a college degree. It was noted that a limited number of institutions will be selected to participate. More information to follow at a later date.
Payroll Office Update

Tracy Rogers, Human Resources Director, informed Council that steps will need to be taken to insure that all functional aspects of the payroll process are covered due to a medical leave situation.

Richardson Hall Renovation Project Update

Bill Mansheim, Vice President for Finance and Governmental Relations, informed Cabinet that all departments in Richardson Hall will be contacted to schedule individual meetings with the architects to discuss choices for specific finishes, (i.e.: paint, carpeting, etc.). He also informed Council that construction is scheduled to start early March, 2014, and that due to construction logistics necessary to make the third floor structurally sound, it will be necessary to cordon-off the center section of the building on each floor. As a result, the first and second floor restrooms will not be available for use, however the restrooms on the third floor north wing will be available and are accessible via the north stairwell and elevator. The new restrooms on the first floor are scheduled to be ready for use by mid-June, 2014.

Athletics Update

Larry Mortensen, Athletic Director, briefly updated Council on recent and upcoming sporting events including a track conference that Adams State University will be hosting.

Colorado Boettcher Teacher Residency Program Update

Council was informed that the newly formed partnership between the Public Education & Business Coalition, the Boettcher Foundation, and Adams State University has attracted 23 new students to the “Colorado Boettcher Teacher Program.” The program's objective is to prepare more teachers for low-income, rural public schools. Participants earn a master's degree in education from Adams State University, as well as a Colorado teacher license. A focus is training teachers to work with culturally and linguistically diverse students.

CIELO Update

Carol Guerrero-Murphy, President's Liaison for Inclusive Excellence and Chair of the CIELO Group, briefly updated Council on an upcoming CIELO meeting that will focus on the upcoming campus roundtable meeting. She also discussed a proposal that would improve the institution’s language offerings to students including a “heritage language” idea.

Executive Council “Chat Meetings”

President Svaldi reminded Council that meetings with members of his executive team will be scheduled in the near future for anyone who wishes to “chat” with Executive Council about a variety of topics. More information will be given at a later date.
Alumni Relations Update

Lori Laske, Alumni Relations Director, gave a brief update on an Alumni Board meeting that was recently held. She thanked all those who attended.

Alleged Assault

Ken Marquez, Vice President of Student Affairs, informed Council of an alleged sexual assault that occurred off-campus. All relevant agencies have been contacted and a full investigation is ongoing.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.