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Educational Leadership Council

June 28, 2021

Via conference call, 10:30am-12:00noon

Attendance: Joanna Abdallah, Paul H. Benson, Connie Bowman, James Brill, Ali Carr-Chellman, Trevor Collier, Lee Dixon, Sam Dorf, Deo Eustace, Sean Falkowski, Sharon Gratto, Andrew Horner, Mark Jacobs, Joseph Kozar, SM, Carissa Krane, Leslie Picca, Jason Pierce, Fran Rice, Eddy Rojas, Andrea Seielstad, Eric F. Spina, Andy Strauss, Tereza Szeghi, Kathy Webb, Tom Weckesser

Excused: Jason Pierce, Tom Weckesser

Guest: Robin Oldfield, Associate Vice President, Audit, Risk and Compliance

Prayer/Reflection – Andy Strauss

1. Eric Spina and Sam Dorf welcomed new ELC members. All members introduced themselves.
2. The ELC's stated purpose, processes and procedures were reviewed. See [ELC Purpose and Procedures](#).
3. The votes of the full faculty that will be conducted in Fall 2021 regarding proposed changes to the Senate Constitution and revisions of the University Promotion and Tenure Policy were discussed. Discussion focused on communication and engagement strategies. It was also noted that intersections between the proposed changes, on the one hand, and strategic planning for diversity, equity, and inclusion, on the other, could be useful in motivating turnout.
4. Robin Oldfield joined the meeting for Path Forward updates, focusing on campus vaccination rates, which stood at 62% overall at the time of the meeting. Discussion touched on contingency planning relative to the state of the virus on campus and in the surrounding community, travel expectations, and requirements for managing special teaching formats (e.g., music ensembles). It was suggested that protocols be developed to guide on-campus faculty interviews, so that these visits are handled in a consistent and hospitable manner. There was agreement that the ELC should continue to be engaged as campus plans for dealing with COVID19 evolve.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.