November 9, 2015,  
Market Center Building  
1600 SW 4th Ave,  
Room 651 University Room  
2:00 pm -5:00 pm

MEETING NOTES

Committee members present: Chair Margaret Kirkpatrick, Maude Hines, Maria Carolina Gonzalez-Prats, Pete Nickerson (via phone), Sona Andrews (ex-officio, non-voting), John Fraire (ex-officio, non-voting) and Wim Wiewel (ex-officio, non-voting)

Committee members not present: Swati Adarkar, Sho Dozono

Committee staff present: David Reese and Vanelda Hopes

Informational Items 1 and 2 were done at the start of the meeting, but prior to having a quorum

1. REPORT ON THE 7th YEAR VISIT BY NORTHWEST COMMISSION ON COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES (NWCCU)
Portland State University’s 7th year NWCCU visit took place in October. Provost Sona Andrews explained the accreditation cycle and process. The commission’s final determination on reaffirmation will be made in January 2016. We have not received the draft report from the evaluation team, but do know that it will include a few commendations and two recommendations. We will add a review of the report to the next meeting agenda on March 4, 2016.

Action: Add the report on the 7th year visit by the NWCCU to the March 4, 2016 Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting agenda.

2. STUDENT TRUSTEE VACANCY
Carolina Gonzalez-Prats noted that her term will end June 16, 2016 and discussed the current search for nominations for a new student trustee. The position is being advertised and closes on November 24, with interviews starting December 4. Selection committee members will include Trustee Gonzalez-Prats, the President and Vice President of ASPSU, and other students. The committee will narrow the pool to three candidates with their primary candidate identified for submission to the Governor’s Office for vetting.

3. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL/ DECLARATION OF QUORUM
Margaret Kirkpatrick, Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee (ASAC), called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. David Reese, Secretary to the Board, declared a quorum was present. The meeting was convened.
4. **PSU Strategic Plan Draft**

Steve Percy, Dean of the College of Urban and Public Affairs and Chair of the Strategic Plan Development Team, shared a one page draft of the PSU Strategic Plan as well as an explanation of the strategic planning process. His accompanying PowerPoint presentation listed strategic planning team members, topic teams, and listening sessions as well as the mission, vision and strategic goals that were created during the planning. Dean Percy discussed the equity lens that was applied to all stages of planning, and noted that the lens had and continues to have a major impact on the draft of the plan. President Wiewel noted that a revised version would be discussed at the December 10 board meeting where he would like to discuss ways to implement the plan.

5. **Consent Agenda—Action**

**Action:** Maude Hines moved that the committee approve the minutes from the July 7, 2015 ASAC meeting. Lindsay Stewart seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

6. **Diversity Planning**

Carmen Suarez, Chief Diversity Officer, Global Diversity and Inclusion, shared Global Diversity and Inclusion’s (GDI) focus on culture and climate, and their work in equity and compliance, diversity advocacy, and community outreach and engagement. GDI priorities for the fiscal year include implementation of the Diversity Action Plan, diversity hiring practices, and diversity education/professional development training. The three main priorities for the Diversity Action Plan are underrepresented student recruitment and retention, underrepresented faculty and staff recruitment and retention, and a cultural competency symposium and training series.

7. **Sexual Assault: Title IX**

Chief Diversity Officer Carmen Suarez and John Fraire, Vice President, Enrollment Management and Student Affairs, gave an overview of the Title IX requirements, response, statistics, and work in progress at PSU. Vice President Fraire listed the numbers of sexual assaults that have been reported in FY13, FY14, and FY15. Portland State will host the Oregon Universities Best Practices Conference on April 26, 2016 to continue to share best practices with other institutions, and ASPSU is considering holding a conference for students that same day.

8. **Next Steps and Adjournment**

Trustee Kirkpatrick recognized Lindsay Stewart, new Trustee and member of the ASAC, and welcomed his continued attendance at future meetings.

Trustee Nickerson proposed that Chief Diversity Officer Carmen Suarez and Vice President John Fraire present their presentation on Title IX to the entire board at a future meeting.

With no further comments or questions from the committee, Trustee Kirkpatrick adjourned the meeting.