

Administrative Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 19, 2017
Tower 1101
9:30 - 11:00AM

Attendees: Don Arpino, Velda McRae-Yates, David Nelson, Patrick O'Connor, Alicia Perry, Bob Perry, Ernie Plowman, Kate Russell, Susana Segat, Mercedes Sherrod-Evans, Anne Marie Stein, Kurt Steinberg, Ken Strickland and Chris Wright

Budget Update (Kurt Steinberg)

Kurt presented the group with his budget presentation for the Town Hall Meeting.
(See attached presentation)

Updates

- There will be a Town Hall Meeting in the Tower Auditorium from 1:30-2:30pm today.
- The core strategic planning team will consist of three faculty members, three staff members and three students. The staff and students will be nominated and selected by President Nelson.
- President Nelson and the Vice Presidents hope to do some executive coaching and team building over the next 24 months. They hope to start the project by September.
- The Administration is working with the Massachusetts Legislators to ensure the rights and safety of our international students.
- Human Resources is working with local farmers to create a program to have produce brought to the campus. The college would not have to pay for the service and Chartwells would receive the goods and take over procurement. The hope is to have the arrangement finalized in time for the fall semester.
- The MFA Thesis Show starts on Thursday, April 20th.
- President Nelson's Inauguration is schedule for Friday Oct. 20th. Preliminary events will begin on Thursday, Oct. 5th with a panel discussion with Mary Ann Stankiewicz to discuss her book on the Massachusetts normal School, followed by the Adderley Lecture on Wednesday, Oct. 11th. Messaging will be handled by the Marketing Office.

- The NEASC and NASAD Accreditation teams have completed their visits. A written report shall be sent to the college in about 6-8 weeks for review. The teams were very happy and complimented the community's commitment to the college's mission. We are working on the glaring issues that are already apparent and will likely receive the final reports in late fall.