

All College Meeting, 9/29/17

- **West Hills Athletic Club**

Tyler Norman presented options for membership and benefits of programs and facilities available to WMU employees. He will be sending electronic information with applications to HCOB employees.

- **Business Community**

Presentation by Laura Darrah on the benefits Business Community housing for HCOB students. Tutoring, visits with alumni, Kellogg, local businesses and faculty lunches with students are some of the events that take place.

- **Starting Gate**

Lara Hobson discussed the Starting Gate program, which is now four years old. Located in the Park Trades Center in downtown Kalamazoo it offers students a place to discuss and create in a setting that is off campus. Program ends for the school year on 3/19/18.

- **Interim Provost**

Dr. Susan Stapleton spoke on attracting and retention of new WMU students. She also discussed Professional Development, Diversity and Inclusion.

- **Assurance of Learning Council**

Dr. Muhammad Razi spoke on the Assurance of Learning committee's tasks and some of the results. He discussed in detail areas where improvements are needed and suggested that there may be better ways to measure improvements.

- **Office of the Vice President for Research**

Denise Wheatley stated that her office is working on student budgets and is very open to students questions and needs.

- **Dean Deshpande**

Dr. Deshpande asked each chair to introduce new faculty/staff members. He then discussed the upcoming budget cuts and enrollment. Cuts will be lessened due to savings in differential tuition. He also discussed GUFÉ (funding, faculty) and credited to HCoB faculty and staff with increased retention and enrollments.

- **Associate Dean Yaman**

Dr. Yaman spoke about the Grab the Reins and DECA programs and how they have helped with out of state recruiting. She stated that the SPURS program has grown from 650 students last year to 1375 this year. She spoke briefly about GUFÉ program.

- **Associate Dean Newell**

Dr. Newell talked about the Strategic Planning process. He stated that we are getting less money, more students. He had Dr. McIver explain that this process cannot continue, as we have reached capacity with less funding and faculty. He stated that we will have to cap classes. Dr. Newell explained a bit about the FARS process and noted that they are due on 10/15/17. He stated that the FARS process works well. Any questions should be directed to him or Cindy Wagner. The CV's are due 12/1/17. He also stated that due to the financial situation at HIGE, Study Abroad students will receive no funding from them. These students will be getting only the \$750 scholarship from HCOB.

Dean search

Dr. Landeros stated that the Dean's Search committee is in process of setting up airport interviews. The process is ongoing and as soon as candidates are selected, faculty and staff will be notified of meetings. He also reminded all HCOB employees of the United Way campaign underway here on campus.