

**University Cabinet Meeting
September 25, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. – Bump Lounge**

Attendees: Laurie Anderson, Ann Brentlinger, Darcy Briggs, Lisa Carlson, Joe Dlugos, Jade Herman, Kurt Katzenstein, Sam Kessinger, Joel Lueken, Angela Mettler, Maribeth Price, Jim Rankin, Jerilyn Roberts, Chris Roman, Bryan Schumacher, Steve Smith, Bill Spindle, Joseph Wright

1. Administrative Unit Presentation
 - a. Student Success – Lisa Carlson
 - i. 10 Mines women applied and were accepted to NSF-funded scholarship program through WiSE; these are \$5,000 scholarships renewable for up to two years.
 - ii. Library is working on digitizing theses and dissertations published prior to 2021.
 - iii. Library online usage is increasing. Novel usage doubled to more than 44,000 hits; Hoopla increased by 25%; interlibrary loans increased.
 - iv. Tandem Advising: pilot program through Mining and MME, used peer mentors; Navigate system implemented around the same time.
 1. Freshman advising in EECS - led to pilot program where Chris Roman is the main advisor for students in EECS for the first three semesters, as well as ME. The number of early alerts in Navigate have significantly decreased; students are seeking help and accessing available resources (Slide Rule, tutoring, etc).
2. Academic Department Presentation
 - a. Nanoscience & Biomedical Engineering – Steve Smith
 - i. Quantum Communications certificate (undergrad & grad) pending for 2023 approval
3. Approval of minutes from 8/28/23 meeting
 - a. Katzenstein, Lueken; motion passes.
4. Monthly Reports
 - a. Academic Affairs and Enrollment – Jim Rankin
 1. South Dakota Advantage: we want to be the first to accept students from Kansas and Missouri for in-state tuition. This will not be retroactive.
 2. The BoR wants to see data before Christmas on how many students are accepted.
 - ii. Graduate Education – Maribeth Price
 1. Starting a graduate student writing center
- b. Athletics – Joel Lueken

- i. 2,070 users in 2022; 3906 users in 2023
 - ii. 4v4 sand volleyball has 76 students
 - iii. Thank you to Student Senate and to campus for allowing Rapid City firefighters to work out in our wellness center.
 - iv. Football attendance was more than 3,000 per game for the first two games.
 - v. Rivalry documentary
 - c. Center for Alumni Relations & Advancement – Jim Rankin
 - d. CSA Council – Angela Mettler
 - e. Faculty Senate – Kurt Katzenstein
 - f. Finance & Administration – Bill Spindle
 - i. Facilities, Risk, & Services – Jerilyn Roberts
 - 1. 6 custodial positions and a groundskeeper position open
 - ii. Human Resources – Bill Spindle
 - iii. Information Technology Services – Bryan Schumacher
 - 1. 650 laptops handed out to students this semester.
 - g. Marketing & Communications – Ann Brentlinger
 - h. NFE Council – Chris Roman
 - i. President’s Office – Jim Rankin
 - j. Research Affairs – Laurie Anderson
 - i. Economic Development – Joseph Wright
 - k. Student Association – Samuel Kessinger
 - i. Freshman elections are Sept. 27
 - ii. Student Federation voicing support for tuition freeze. Sam & Ben have asked for changing the wording to show the ability to increase fees. Student orgs need funding from fees.
 - iii. GAF appointments
 - l. Student Development – Joe Dlugos
5. Old Business
 - a. Policies – second readings
 - i. Research Centers – Laurie Anderson
 - 1. Do edits to an appendix mean that the entire policy has to be changed and re-approved?
 - a. Turn it into a form or procedure rather than an appendix
 - b. Motion to approve as amended: Spindle, Price. Motion passes.
 - ii. Assessing User Fees, Scheduling Events & Conferences – Jerilyn Roberts
 - 1. Tabled until next month due to ongoing discussion
 - iii. Memorials – Jerilyn Roberts
 - 1. Anderson, Price. Motion passes.
6. New Business
 - a. Announcement/reminder: the Board of Regents is meeting on campus Oct. 4-5.

- b. Strategic Plan
 - i. Faculty Senate did not have any comments. This will be sent to the BoR as an informational item.
- c. Student Wellness Committee being added as university-sanctioned.

Motion to adjourn – Wright, Lueken. Motion passes.