Thursday, August 4

Attendance: Chad Arney, Joe Azzarello, Andrew Burton, Derek Chapel, Edwin Eiswerth, Joe Gallo, Kerry Irons, Jenna Joestgen, Jean Kampe, Steve Kamykowsky, Kristin Kolodge, Will Lytle, Emily Mcdonald, Brenda Rudiger, Dennis Sage, Darnishia Slade, Denise Slattery, Jeff Sudderth, Tim Thomas, Ashwin Vekaria, Bob Wojcik

Absent: Dan Batten, Becky Gatzke, Sheraaron Hurt, Mike Peterson, Courtney Harris

Chuck Heiden resigned the Board effective immediately on July 25, 2016

Welcome, Agenda Review (Bob Wojcik)
Introductions – each Director introduced another Director as a way to familiarize all Directors
Officer reports (see web site for presentations)
- President Report, Two-Year Plan, Goals Review, Playbook (Bob Wojcik)
- Vice President Report (Bob Wojcik)
- Treasurer Report (Joe Azzarello),
- Secretary Report (Kerry Irons)
Committee Updates (see web site for presentations):
- Governance
- Student Initiative Support
- Communications/Alumni First
Committee Assignments
- Joseph Gallo: Communications/Alumni First
- Sheraaron Hurt: Communications/Alumni First
- Kerry Irons: Communications/Alumni First
- Kristin Kolodge: Communications/Alumni First
- William Lytle: Communications/Alumni First
- Daniel Batten: Governance
- Andrew Burton: Governance
- Derek Chapel: Governance
- Michael Peterson: Governance
- Denise Slattery: Governance
- Rebecca Gatzke: Governance
- Edwin Eiswerth: Roundtable
- Robert Wojcik: Roundtable
- Chad Arney: SISP
- Joseph Azzarello: SISP
- Jenna Joestgen: SISP
- Emily McDonald: SISP
- Dennis Sage: SISP
- Ashwin Vekaria: SISP
- Courtney Harris: SISP

Alumni Engagement Update (Brenda Rudiger)
- Need to structure messaging to different segments of alumni
- Want to develop corporate chapters to help alumni within their company
- Branding the department as “Alumni & Friends”

Friday, August 5

Student Affairs & Advancement update (Les Cook, VP-Student Affairs and Advancement)
University Portrait 2045 (Jackie Huntoon, Provost and VP - Academic Affairs)
Proposed MTU Veteran Alumni Award
- Consensus is that the award should only go to veterans (not spouse or child of)
• Award should include Justin Finch’s name but the Board needs to decide whether the award is named after him or in the information associated with the award. The committee working on the award will report back to the Board with a proposal (Denise Slattery)

Vice President replacement – Dan Batten elected unanimously (with two abstentions)

Retiring Board member recognition (Bob Wojcik). Thanks to Steve Kamykowski, Jean Kampe, Darnishia Slade, Jeff Sudderth, and Tim Thomas for their Board service.

Director comments from a “around the room” discussion: need to get direction as to what we need to do, looking forward to committee work/activities, plan to do local events, need more “to-dos”, keep the personal touch, look for non-traditional ways to give back, good to have diverse opinions, liked the introduction process, keep in mind how you think the Board fits into the larger university goals and strategies.

Action Plans and Wrap up (Bob Wojcik)

2017 meeting dates: Winter Carnival February 9-10, Homecoming October 19-21