## **University Planning Council**

## **Kean University**

## Minutes

Day	Wednesday
Date	June 10 , 2015
Time	1 pm
Room	UC 226

- I. General Business
  - Meeting called to order with announcement that Dr. Farahi had the floor with update about budget issues and the impact on institution
- II. Update from Dr. Farahi
  - Institution's rating from Moody's has stayed stable while other institutions in the state have seen theirs take a hit.
  - Moody's said that our financial standing was strong and that demonstrated prudent financial planning and the capacity to handle the shortfall from the state
  - Moody's especially impressed with external relationships and ability to adjust to change
  - State allocations getting smaller and smaller each year. This year there is an approximately 3 million dollar gap that we have to make up. In order to do that we have to be creative and thorough in any cuts we make moving forward.
  - There are three things we have to do moving forward:
    - i. Look at everything in terms of efficiency and economy. Are we doing what we should be doing as efficiently and as economical as we should?
    - ii. Ask how we serve our students and look at student services
      - CAS and EOC will be examined by Dr. Toney to see if there is a way to combine services
    - iii. Look at graduate and retention rates and offer superior programs to other institutions

- We are in better shape than most other institutions in the state. In terms of international students and in terms of bilingual students, we offer programs and opportunities second to none
- Online market has grown to approximately 31% of the marketplace. We are in a better position than most.
- Wants to stress fact that we do not just offer a degree, we offer an education. We have to make ourselves stand out in marketplace. We need to sell the totality of the experience
- If we are to successfully plan for the future, we have to focus on 4 things moving forward
  - Need to complete for full-time, first time freshmen. NJ is #1 exporter to other states. Have to compete for those students
  - Be proactive in terms or what is needed and what the programs of the future
  - Have to keep bringing in instructional resources to grow
  - Change systems to be more responsive to needs of institution.
- Overall we have to be an institution that changes with the times and prepares students for a changing world
- III. Wrap up
  - Meeting was adjourned at 2:10 PM

		Name	<u>Initial</u>
Chair	College of Humanities and Social Sciences	Suzanne Bousquet	х
Vice Chair	Office of Research and Sponsored Programs	Joseph Cronin	х
	Economics	Charles Anderson	
	College of Visual and Performing Arts	George Arasimowicz	х
	History	Christopher Bellitto	x
KFT Pres	Chem. & Physics	James Castiglione	
Ex officio	Office of Accreditation and Assessment	Wenjun Chi	

IV. Attendance

Vice President	Operations	Philip Connelly	X
Ex officio	Office of Accreditation and Assessment	Susan DeMatteo	Х
	Undergraduate Student	Nigel Donald	
	College of Business and Public Management	James Drylie	
	Campus Planning & Facilities	Phyllis Duke	X
	Campus Planning & Facilities	Tracie Feldman	x
	Institutional Advancement	Tonya Hall	Х
KUAFF Pres	Phys. Ed, Rec. & Health	Kathleen Henderson	X
	Associate V.P. Academic Affairs	Sophia Howlett	X
	Elementary & Bilingual Education	Patrick Ippolito	X
Senate Chair	NJ Center for Science, Technology & Math	David Joiner	X

Media and Publications	Audrey Kelly	Х
Acting Associate V.P.	Steve Kubow	х
Kean Ocean		
University Center	Kerrin Lyles	Х
Information Technology	Joseph Marinello	

	Counselor Education	Barry Mascari	X
	University Relations	Marsha McCarthy	Х
	College of Natural, Applied, and Health Sciences/ Comp Sci	Patricia Morreale	
Vice President	Student Affairs	Janice Murray- Laury	Х
	Facilities & Maintenance	Steven Pinto	
IFPTE Pres.	Facilities & Maintenance	Andrew Rettberg	
Ex Officio	Institutional Research	Shiji Shen	Х
	Campus Police	Adam Shubsda	
President	Student Org	Gerard Smithwrick	
Vice President	Academic Affairs	Jeff Toney	х
	Phys. Ed, Rec. & Health	John Valentine	
	Office of the President	Felice Vazquez	Х
	Center for Online Learning and Professional Development	Corey Vigdor	
Vice President	Institutional Advancement	Carla Willis	х