

Vision Transition  
September 17, 2013

- President's Update:
  - Government is advancing the differentiation conversation. The term 'differentiation' is being used widely now. Two papers out from HEQCO – The Diversity of Ontario's Universities: A Data Set to Inform the Differentiation Discussion (focus on research intensity), and another that references the college system: The Diversity of Ontario's Colleges: A Data Set to Inform the Differentiation Discussion. Minister met with College presidents for input to contribute to a framework. Two special advisors from University sector and the College sector have been appointed. Susan will distribute the draft document from the Ministry "Ontario's Draft Differentiation Policy" and Jeff is interested in hearing this group's thoughts/ideas/concerns/feedback
  - We would like to have AUCC review us in an informal way, in advance of the formal review, in some areas. The first to be reviewed informally is the Library and Learning Services – they started with a strategic plan, and have now developed a 5 year business plan to hopefully meet the AUCC requirements and stay true to the strategic plan. 2 university librarians who have been through the AUCC audit experience are going to review and comment on the draft business plan (they have the document now, and will provide their feedback in a month's time), providing us with valuable insights and feedback in order that we can tweak or course correct now to be more likely to be successful in the end
- Update on Vision (Mary and Sara):
  - Introduced Operational Plan Template with completed example for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL). The next plan underway now is the degree plan. These operational plans will form the higher level roadmap for our journey to meeting AUCC requirements and will assist with accountability, resource allocation and benchmarking. For detailed action items, they will not replace the need for departmental plans.
    - Suggestion from Steven to be sure to include the monetary requirements of the operational plans toward meeting AUCC membership requirements. The budget plans will be identified with the action plans. There will likely be decisions about what we need to do differently or what we cannot do any longer due to the pressure that the AUCC related requirements will put on our budgets
  - Sara re-introduced/reviewed the 12 criteria and 17 documents required for AUCC institutional membership and provided a three page document that outlines these requirements
    - Mary noted that work needs to be done in the area of research and define what applied research in our curriculum is going to be. This work is being undertaken by the URCA Standing Committee of Senate (Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities)

- It will also be necessary for us to begin now tracking faculty research, writing, any citations, etc.
  - Sylvia suggested a meeting(s) so that the AUCC criteria and documentation could be shared with the AD's
  - For AUCC and PQAPA we need to have a faculty evaluation program/process
  - Professional Development needs to be tracked and evolved
  - Faculty credential policy is a management responsibility and is a PEQAB requirement
  - Comparators – Grant MacEwan, Kwantlen, and Mount Royal went through this process; and in Ontario UoIT, OCAD, Nipissing, Algoma, would have also gone through AUCC. Would be very helpful to learn more about the AUCC experiences of others who have gone through it
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- Mary reviewed the power point slide deck about Governance and Administration referencing the domains of governance and administration – see the chart within the presentation. The slide deck will be distributed electronically
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- Journey website refresher: [journey.sheridancollege.ca](http://journey.sheridancollege.ca)
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- Conference update –**Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014** “Differentiated Models of Postsecondary Education” and **Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014** “Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities”. A draft one-pager has been developed and we are hoping to co-host the event with OISE and HEQCO. Draft one-pager will be distributed electronically to this group. President’s Panel will be featured – Jeff is assembling, and Ray Iveny is a potential keynote speaker. Part of the rationale for hosting this conference is to have Sheridan be seen to be on our own journey but also as a thought leader in this area. Input, suggestions are very keenly requested and there will be a steering group assembled if anyone is interested in participating. Please mark your calendars with these dates, and talk it up amongst your colleagues!
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- **New Business Items:**
    - Ian asked for a new Degree Launch committee to review the needs for properly launching degrees, particularly in terms of marketing and recruitment. Ronni noted that the last two FAAD degrees were very successfully supported by marketing.
    - If you haven't rsvp'd for the Employee Long Service Recognition event in November, please send your response to Christine Randall in HR (there is still time to rsvp)

Motion to adjourn – Darren Lawless