



University Council Discussion Topics

Upcoming Meetings

	Introductory Announcements*	Information	Discussion
June 2025 (70 of 120 mins planned)	Personnel (5-10 mins) Searches <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chief of Staff (Coiner)• VP for Enrollment Mgmt (Suzanne)• Grad dean; plan for interim (Tammy)• Exec assistant (Biff) Thanks (Biff) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rachel Besara• Tammy Jahnke• Jorge Rebaza Congrats (Biff) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dennis Lancaster• Julie Masterson	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Strategic plan implementation workshop (Biff, 5 mins)2. Overview of legislative session and budget (Zora, 20 mins)3. Welcome back picnic/Party in the C-USA (Patrick and Biff, 10 mins)4. Student Affairs services including Bear Pantry and MJPW Student Resource Center (Dee, with Alex Johnson and Nina Barudzic, 10 mins)5. Scholarship review (Zora, 20 mins)6. AC name change (Biff, less than 5 mins)	
October 2025		Shared leave and health insurance premiums National Student Transfer Week (Campbell Keele)	

*Introductory announcements include recognizing new University Council members, providing updates on personnel changes/searches for AC members, deans, direct reports of AC members and deans, and any other noteworthy personnel changes; and announcing any other news/recognition.

Other Potential Topics

- Student death protocol (Andrea Weber)
- Student affairs learning domains (Dee Siscoe, Rebekkah Wall)
- Facilities and administrative (indirect) rates
- Prospective to new student communication – timing and types of communication students receive
- Feature one “broken window” that’s been addressed – either a quick discussion or in the announcements section
- Connection between strategic plan and broken windows – are there broken windows that need to be addressed because they impact strategic plan goals/strategies? Maybe in March?
- Employee evaluation
 - Understanding the need for evaluations
 - Current goals and objectives for evaluations
 - Are there alternatives that we could consider?
- Policy and Process Improvement
 - Could this be a part of the strategic plan?
 - If so, what might a systematic improvement plan look like?
 - Are there any “best practices” and/or exemplary plans out there that we could consider?

- West Plains campus (who they are, what they do, and how they're the same but different as a system partner)
- Updates on the Executive Budget Committee work
- Results from CUPA when they become available
- Regular legislative updates – what's going on in Jeff City that you can share that affects us
- Supporting mental health and addressing behavior issues in our students (someone from the Counseling Center presented on this to Grad Program Directors in January)
- NSF Research & Development funding (joint presentation by Admin & Finance and ORA)
- What federal executive orders mean for us on campus (i.e., DEI, gender identity)
- Faculty and staff ombudsperson
- Career center discussion (led by Kelly Rapp; discuss with deans and other key personnel ways we can collaborate and streamline career planning and development efforts across campus; consider including Rachel Anderson or Emily Denniston to incorporate student employment and community GA program)
- AC values and principles
- Inclusivity principles
- University Advancement long-range plan

Previous Meetings

	Introductory Announcements	Information	Discussion
May 2025	Personnel (5 mins) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief of Staff (Coiner) • VP for Enrollment Mgmt (Suzanne); interim (Zora) • Grad and library deans (Tammy) Shared leave donations (Scot Scobee) (2 mins) Changes to commencement (Biff) (3 mins) Welcome Center updates; temporary home for WC staff (Matt Magruder) (2 mins)	CUPA (Egon Heidendal and Scot Scobee) (5 mins) FY 2026 budget update (Matt Morris and Cindy Schull) (5 mins) International student issues (Brad) (5 mins) Ombud (Biff) (10 mins)	Presentation of JM Partner Solutions report (Zora) (20 mins)
February 2025	Searches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provost (Brad) • Library dean (Tammy) • Grad dean (Tammy) UC members can sign up for campus tour in advance of March presentation New Athletics position (outbound sales) UC materials now available to all	Enrollment (Egon and Rob Hornberger) Giving Day (Brent) State budget (ran out of time)	Broken Windows (Biff)
January 2025		Simpson Scarborough Budget Strategic plan Alliance for Healthcare Education Conflict of interest	Broken Windows (ran out of time)
December 2024		FLSA Campus Climate Committee Higher Learning Commission (WP, SGF) Behavioral Intervention Team Conference USA transition	
November 2024	Purpose of University Council Roles and Responsibilities of University Council members	Broken Windows Holds	FLSA Admissions wow factor