

Operational Assembly

- Mike Garrity reported that the group is reviewing and will make some changes to its membership, purpose, and goals to bring more action to the committee.

Academic Senate

- Michael Flaherty reported that Senate committees achieved 100 percent participation in assessment last year. The first Senate meeting will be held on September 12 at 2:30 p.m. with a number of new Senators and four new and four continuing committee chairs: Beth Dunn – Academic & Scholastic Standards; Rob Connor – Academic Support; Larry-Manno – Assessment; Christina Brophy – Campus Quality; Julianne Murphy – Curriculum; Serpil Caputlu – Professional Development; Hector Zavala – Student Development; Pam Harmon – Technical Advisory & Distance Education.

Student Success

- Shelley Tiwari provided a report on financial literacy for students. A student financial empowerment grant received last year from ATD in partnership with One Main Financial allowed the college to strengthen the presence of financial literacy into New Student Orientation and COL 102, covering the components of income, saving, credit, and budgeting.

College Council Goals: Council adopted these goals for FY 2018:

1. Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Visit – As Steering Committee for the College’s Assurance Argument, College Council will complete and submit the argument to HLC, and share the argument’s content with our campus community (including students, faculty, and staff) in preparation for the site team’s visit on March 5-6, 2018.
2. Communication and Engagement – The Council will focus on improving engagement with the campus community via forums and outreach efforts, and attempt to increase committee participation rates in assessment through targeted communications about assessment’s purpose and benefits.
3. Strategic Planning and Student Success – The Council will actively engage in the evaluation of information and data regarding planning and student success, converse with the campus community about these topics, and support collaboration across the college’s divisional and departmental areas.

Assurance Argument – Criteria 2 and 4

- Council provided their thoughts on the contents and clarity of these two chapters, and were encouraged to email Pamela Perry with their feedback. If necessary, Council will schedule additional meeting time to review and discuss the Assurance Argument. The document should be ready to release to the campus in October; a sub-group was formed to identify strategies and efforts to outreach and engage with the campus community and prepare for the HLC visit.

Collective Campus Input Report

- President Moore stated that she plans to bring a topic from this report to College Council every month to report on progress made. This month, based on the recommendations of the criterion team and diversity workgroup, she announced that a Diversity Council is being formed that will be advisory and report directly to the President, with Dean Corey Williams serving as its leader. Resources have been allocated, and individuals including students will be invited to join the Diversity Council in September.

Strategic Plan Mid-Year Report

- Pamela Perry provided a brief summary of the Strategic Plan Mid-Year Report, which can be viewed on Triton’s Strategic Planning website [here](#).

FY 19 Budget Timeline

- Associate Vice President of Finance & Business Services Garry Abezetian reviewed changes to the FY 19 budgeting process based on an assessment of previous years. Changes will include training for budget presentations, examples provided of strong presentations, enhanced support materials, and increased communication.

Website Re-Design

- Council was provided a peak at the new look of the website with a cleaner look, bolder pictures, a vertical orientation, and a substantial events calendar. In addition, the site will be adaptive so that the desktop site and mobile sites are in synch. The current website needs to be kept current for when it is transitioned over to the new site next spring.