

NOTES
USF Consolidation Task Force
Student Success/Academic Programs/Campus Identity Subcommittee Organizational Call
May 16, 2018
Call

Present: Mike Griffin, Chair; Rick Piccolo, Dr. Tonjua Williams

I. Call to order and Comments

Chair Mike Griffin called the meeting to order at 2:00pm.

II. New Business – Information Items

a. Overview

Chair Griffin welcomed all members to the organizational call and reviewed their roles as a Subcommittee. He reminded the members that their work must fall within the scope of the legislative purpose. He also stressed that any recommendations developed should have measurable impact and be mindful of SACS accreditation requirements, ensuring seamless continuity as a Preeminent Research University.

b. Subcommittee Structure

Chair Griffin provided an overview of the Subcommittee including the structure and timeline. He explained there will be three hearings with update calls in between and a final in-person meeting to discuss recommendations. The meeting and hearing dates have been finalized and can be found on the Consolidation Task Force website.

Chair Griffin stressed the importance of being thoughtful and intentional when inviting subject matter experts to the Subcommittee hearings. He explained that Huron Consulting Group has been hired by the USF Board of Trustees to assist the Task Force and its Subcommittees in this process.

There was discussion on potential questions and respondents for each of the three hearings and the best way to receive outside community input. Chair Griffin reminded the other members to bring outside questions or suggestions through the correct channels so the entire Subcommittee is aware of the information. He explained that a feedback form can be found on the Consolidation Task Force website and that outside Community members should be directed to this site should they have any questions. It was suggested that members begin to consider which stakeholders will speak at the Subcommittee hearings and the deadline to submit a list of recommendations is June 8th.

c. Open Discussion

Michael Stallworth, director for Huron Consulting Group, introduced himself and described his firm's expertise within the field of higher education. Mr. Stallworth, along with colleagues Peter Stokes and company CEO Jim Roth will support the work of the Consolidation Task Force and the subcommittees.

Huron will be able to provide best practices and benchmark solutions. They are meeting with various Task Force members to identify informational needs over the next two weeks, after which they will have a clearer picture to identify experts and provide planning guidance. They will also be on for quick on-demand support.

There was discussion regarding campus identity, as some members are not as familiar with USF. Additionally, there were questions regarding which duplicate programs are currently offered across the three USF System Institutions, and if resources need to be considered when developing recommendations. Members noted the need to be forward thinking and continue to move the needle forward at USF.

III. Adjournment

Chair Griffin thanked everyone for joining the call.

Next scheduled meeting: June 25th 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM (call)