Campus Conversations with President Maloney April 24, 2019 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Administration Building, Fuller Auditorium

- President welcomed the group
- Last Campus Conversation for the semester, new dates will be announced in the fall for academic Year 2019 - 2020
- The notes from these meetings are posted online
- A lot of celebrations going on this time of year
- Thursday, April 25th is Academic Achievements Ceremony at Mechanics Hall
  - Everyone is welcome to attend
  - Highlights the great work our students are doing and the generosity of our donors
- May 17th is our Graduate Commencement and May 18th is Undergraduate Commencement
- The House State Budget was put out this week.
  - It did not change much from the Governor's budget, but did add more funding for PACE which assists the public higher education Institutions with collaboration efforts
  - The House also add funds for the Internship Incentive Initiative
- Our contract with Coke has ended, Pepsi will be our new beverage provider on campus
  - Pepsi will provide internships for our students
  - This change will take place roughly July 1st
- Sandra Olson, Director of Facilities, will be briefing the President's Cabinet about upcoming summer projects
  - The President promised to share those slides
  - There will be a lot of road construction
  - The dollars supporting this work come from monies we received from the state to assist with repairs on campus
- The President talked about food service on campus during the summer which will operate twice a day in multiple locations
  - The University works with Chartwells to ensure that food costs are as low as possible, we will continue to work with them on this
- The Admissions is one week away from our May 1st deadline
  - We are trending very close to how we did last year
  - First year student enrollment looks good and Admissions is optimistic we will meet our goals
  - o Our Transfer numbers are down slightly, but it is still early for those numbers
  - Our retention efforts have been going really well
- June 4th is our last Board of Trustees Meeting for the academic year
  - Art and Science will be presenting to them as well as presenting to the campus that morning
    - A notice will be sent out to the campus inviting them to participate in the presentation
- At the President's Cabinet and Leadership Council meetings today there will be presentations on our technology in the classroom studies

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- On April 23rd the Board of Trustees was briefed on this topic
- Some of this technology will assist with distance learning
- o President invited everyone in the room to Leadership Council
- The University is engaged with an architect, ARC, to look at the May Street Building
  - ARC assisted us with the building of the Wellness Center
  - ARC has been on campus and will continue to be engaging folks throughout the summer
  - This work is being fed by the space study we did last year
- A question was asked about Chartwells, will they offer take out, a discount and ice cream over the summer?
  - Chartwells works off of supply and demand. Dean Kazarian and President Maloney will continue working with them about summer offerings
    - President reminded folks that we don't want to be wasting food if the demand is not there
    - Chartwells has been open to these conversations but the demand has been very low
    - Woo Cafe will be open in May, June and August as a trial run and offer coffee, soup and other take out options
- A reminder that today from 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. Open Forum to provide feedback to Vantage, our IT consultants.
  - There will be free cookies
- A question was asked about what the President's is most proud of this year were
  - The President was very proud of the way the campus community has rallied around the demographic issue. The campus wants to see our students be successful
    - President said that when a student accepts to coming to WSU that is a contract we have with them to help them get the most out of their time here and to graduate in four years, if that is their path
    - We can't be having a lot of the conversations we are having if we are losing enrollment
    - We need to band together and think differently, that is what the positioning study is helping us to do
  - The Provost will be making a positive announcement about some upcoming faculty hiring
  - The President thanked Don Bullens, MSCA President, for working so closely with him to work on the faculty contract
    - Through Don's leadership and our great faculty, while they faced a difficult contract discussion, they always kept our students first
- President reminded everyone to be watchful of our students, this is a celebratory time for the campus, but also a very exhausting and stressful one