**University of Baltimore Governance**  
**Steering Council Agenda**  
**January 19, 2021**  
**1:00-2:00pm**  
<https://ubalt.zoom.us/j/91099367380>

* **Regular Updates**
  + President Schmoke
    - With respect to concerns about masks, the academy has recruited their largest class and on a recent visit to campus they cadets were all masked
    - There was quite a discussion about mandating camera use in courses and how students can participate
      * Ultimately it was concluded there was a need more training and communications with faculty
      * And that it could be possible to report students for sharing private information as a violation of the code of conduct
        + SSSS can also work to deal with potential traumatic experiences in this area
  + Provost Andersen
    - Nothing to report beyond discussion of BOR Taskforce reports
  + Student Government Association President Khoshkepazi
    - Randy Wells has been elected as the new VP of SGA
    - New committees being created, including one on inclusion
    - The SGA would like to collaborate to move some things forward
  + Student Bar Association President Sasse
    - Not present
  + UB Faculty Senate President Kiel
    - The main thing to report at this time is the creation of a workload policy committee which should act this year to implement new USM policy
  + UB Staff Senate Chair Purswani
    - Staff Senate met with Roxie Shabazz and new admissions staff, discussed and promoted the employee assistance program, and endorsed the SGA resolution on plastic straws
* **Follow up Discussion Filing for Reports**
  + Pavan will send a message clarifying process early next week. It will clarify with links where which reports need to go. Financial things will stay private.
* **Oversight Committee Follow Up Discussion** 
  + Review and discussion of the December Reports
    - Identity
      * The group is affirming THE, but suggests using UBALT as shorthand. They are working on short statements for each school and ways to communicate program connections and pathways. How they can refocus as an engaged anchor.
        + The GSC would like more information about the service coordinator position being proposed
    - Enrollment Management and Freshman
      * A big concern was the question of where does retention live. The group is now focused on enrollment targets. Questions and conversation about engaging with community colleges and other efforts to grow, are resources being deployed appropriately, including those at Shady Grove?
    - Academic Portfolio
      * So far this groups seems on track and is beginning to develop the scorecard, which is the main task for the group initially.
      * The GSC would like more information on how the group is working together with Freshman to evaluate that program
    - Student Experience
      * Daniel Khoshkepazi
      * How will they go about reflecting the depth that is required for this?
    - Marketing and Branding
      * N/A
    - Financial Responsibility
      * The report this month is quite detailed and broken down by various subgroups.
      * Noting that item 7.5 is the greatest source of anxiety. Sometimes after cuts were made then there was a surplus. So the GSC questions, how do we ensure we are doing ONLY what is necessary?
    - Physical Environment
      * There has been much discussion about how to deal with distancing, and lab classes. Should there be proposed modality changes there would need to be teachouts so any impact on a need for space would not be instantaneous. There has also been discussion about the need to shrink a campus footprint in way that makes sense for both research, office space, and does not generate bad publicity. There’s a substantive chart outlining changes and the status of modalities.
        + The GSC is interested in more information about scenario planning and more information on the setting of various targets
  + Any necessary Follow-up
    - A message to all team members will emphasizing the collaborative nature of this process, that it is a shared responsibility, and that everyone's voice matters to smooth any tensions
    - To be sent by Pavan, Mike and Daniel