

**President's Council
Meeting Notes
February 1, 2017**

- Updates A discussion of the issues surrounding new immigration rules occurred. A campus check-in on this issue including a faculty panel has been coordinated by Provost Bergeron and will take place this evening from 5-6:30 in Bowman.
- A presentation by EAB was discussed and considered for implementation on our campus.
- Enrollment and Budget Rick Miller reported that we have seen freshman inquiries for Fall 2017 of close to 18,000. The gap in applications has been reduced this week from 17% fewer than last year, to 15% fewer. We are down 8% in acceptances, but up 22% in deposits, most likely due to the earlier mailing of financial aid packages to accepted students this year. Grad enrollment for the fall is up very slightly, but acceptances are currently running behind last year at this time. International applications are looking better this week based on new data.
- Personnel A number of personnel issues and requests were discussed.
- Honorary Degree Committee Carol Rourke presented a proposed procedure and committee structure to identify nominees for SUNY honorary degrees. The procedure was approved and committee members will be appointed in the next few weeks. You can see the procedure [here](#).
- Mass email Policy A formal policy on mass email for the campus was presented by Carol Rourke and tentatively approved with the addition of a step-by-step process for requests.
- Class Cancellation Procedure Carol Rourke presented a streamlined procedure to coordinate the potential cancellation of classes due to weather. The procedure was approved and can be found [here](#).
- Other Robyn Hosley reported on a new effort between the School of Education and Professional Studies and BOCES that would potentially bring between 20 and 30 local high school seniors to campus during their senior year. Working with Karla Fennel and the College Unlimited @ SUNY Potsdam (CUSP) program, these students would take classes that would transfer to Potsdam and could eventually lead to a teaching degree.