

**President's Council  
Meeting Notes  
December 17, 2017**

Retention Committee  
Recommendations

Sean Partridge and Jill Pearson met with the PC to share recommendations from the Retention Committee. Among their concerns is an accumulating debt load for our students, identifying reasons for why students leave the College, and more effective communication with students.

Updates:

Bette Bergeron shared with the Council the sabbatical requests that were approved by the Provost's Cabinet.

The procedure for canceling classes due to weather was shared and reviewed.

A budget update and overview was shared and will be posted online to an internal site for campus constituents.

Enrollment:

Tom Nesbitt sent a report indicating that Grad application were on par with last year, summer application are significantly higher and fall applications are up 39%.

Bias Incidents:

Bernadette Tiapo shared a couple of bias incidents that had recently been reported and how they were being addressed. The president recently met with a number of students from the Hillel organization.

Other:

The steering committee for the update of the Facilities Master Plan was discussed and the president requested suggestions for membership.

Walt Conley shared information about two new programs being proposed in the School.

Personnel:

Several personnel items were discussed.