Professional Council Minutes
February 24, 2016

• **Attendance** - Amy, James, Karen, Brian O., Doreen, Lisa, Brian R.

• **Approval of Feb. 10 Minutes**
  o Karen moves to approve
  o Brian R. seconds
  o Minutes Approved

• **PC Position Reports**
  o Karen - Parking Appeals Committee - - Univ. Facilities Planning Board was all about parking was animated because they are moving the modular classrooms and they are losing 40 parking spots and possibly adding a surface lot where the old "monopoly" houses in FGH. They are at a stalemate until they figure out what to do as the discussion is around either a surface lot or a parking garage near the Antelope Parking Lot.

• **Old Business**
  o **PC Lunch with President and Provost on Monday**
    - Karen will be unable to be there on Monday
    - What is the total number of students that we are aiming for at MSU?
    - What is the ratio of International students to American students and what efforts/goals are we striving for and what efforts are we making to transition them into MSU?
    - Many of the Saudis students coming are required to take Engineering but they aren't at the correct Math level, what is the University doing to help them or respond to it? They are semesters behind because they have to take many pre-calculus classes to get up to the math standards for engineering. Are we lowering our standards to accept more international students to MSU?
    - Is Terry Leist coming to lunch because last time at lunch he came to lunch? - Amy was going to ask and see if he's coming to this lunch on Monday - Question is asked because the question is being asked about the future of Professional classification and what the PC future is?
  o **PC Newsletter** - Brian O.
    - Will be completing that and will send it out in the near future
  o **PC Social Logistics**
    - **Electronic invite/RSVP**
      - Invite with RSVP went out today
      - As of the meeting, 36 people have RSVP'd that they are attending
    - **Catering**
      - Need a list of attendees
    - **Alcohol and Location**
      - All done and confirmed
      - Amy will talk with Abbey about another meeting and having a discussion of what to include in the social that's more than just a social and more networking/programming of the event
  - **Special Guest Invite**
- Abbey has a list of special individuals that need to be included and Amy will work with Abbey on the invites that need to be sent out.

- New Business
  - Staff Senate and Professional Council Indigenous People's Day Discussion
    - A copy of the resolution was handed out to the group
    - Marsha Small and Dr. Walter Fleming presented and gave the information on the day and the information
    - Several states, cities and campuses have adopted this Indigenous Day recognition
    - The City of Bozeman does not recognize Columbus Day currently - there was a discussion with the soon to be Mayor of Bozeman about adding this recognition to the City and Mayor Carson plans to make a Mayoral
    - The official City of Bozeman announcement and declaration will probably happen closer to the MSU PowWow around March 24
    - The discussion with OCHE and the recognition of this day on the HR calendar has been brought up in discussion, but has not been clarified yet
    - Feb. 4 on the resolution was the day that it was introduced to ASMSU and the MSU System
    - The updated ASMSU resolution is much stronger in language than the original resolution presented.
    - The President is looking for each council of governance at the University to review this and if they are in support to draft a letter of support to the President so that she knows whether there is enough support to move this forward.