

Meeting of the

The January 25 2022 minutes were approved as circulated

2. VP International & Student Affairs (VPISA) Budget Submissions & Priorities

Ms. Comfort advised:

- x she oversees all services that support, enhance, and enrich the student experience.
- x she shares a responsibility with President's Cabinet to support the strategic mission of the university
- x students are at the center of all we do
- x her departments include:
  - o Academic Support Services
  - o Accessibility and Student Wellness
  - o Athletics and Recreation
  - o Experiential Learning and Career Services
  - o International Affairs
  - o Indigenous and Black Student Support
  - o Accessibility and Student Wellness
  - o Recruitment and Retention
  - o Residence and Student Life
  - o Sexual Violence Prevention and Education
- x overlap with other VP portfolios
  - o Housing and Residence Life
  - o Facilities and Athletics
  - o Teaching and EXPL/ Academic Support
  - o University Advancement/Endowed funds and MC

Challenges

- x Soft funds vs operating budget
- x No provincial envelope funding for student support
- x Funding for 9 positions will end in next 18 months
- x Are BIPOC, SVP, Indigenous services Student Affairs or shared responsibility
- x Enrolment targets keep moving (2200, 2500, 2700, 2750 +++)
- x Covid response

Strengths

- x 2020/21 student numbers
- x Amazing staff
- x Collaboration on campus
- x Prospective Fall 2022 group (cautiously optimistic)
- x Elders on campus; new SVP direction; Outsourcing services

**Retention (\$25,000)**

- x Strategic plan to increase retention rates
- x Implement a head start strategy which will allow us to focus on first year academic success
- x It is cheaper to retain than to recruit

**Recruitment and Admission (\$224,000)**

- x Manager, Recruit/CRM
- x Ellucian- recruitupgrade
- x Admission officer processing and financial aid
- x Lead generation contract work
- x Additional recruit licences
- x Improve study permit approval rate contract work
- x Additional workstation
- x MANTRA program expansion

**Academic Support Services (\$50,000)**

- x Practical furniture and technology for nine academic help centres

**Health and Wellness (\$250,000)**

- x Mental Health Educator
- x Student Counsellor
- x Nurse Practitioner

**Athletics (\$185,000)**

- x Women's Hockey
- x Soccer coach positions
- x Sports Information Position
- x Uniform Replacement

**Residence Life (\$30,000)**

- x Residence Life Coordinator
- x Programming

**International and Student Life (\$186,000)**

- x Taxi to/from hospital
- x Airport pickup for new students
- x Orientation
- x International Centre Intern
- x International Student Advisor
- x

### Actions Required

*¾ Trudy to update table of asks and add legend of guiding principles for ranking purposes*

#### 3. Budget Town Hall Sessions

Mr. Inglis provided a high level overview of the budget town hall sessions held with the campus community last week.

#### 4. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned

Respectfully submitted,  
Trudy Hicks