Intercampus Faculty Cabinet Regular Meeting January 22, 2024 Minutes

President's Session – President Mun Choi

President Choi heard updates and concerns from each university and shared updates on university initiatives and priorities. Topics included but were not limited to Missouri legislative priorities, the MOScholars program, IFC's approach to confidentiality, and the ongoing situation in Gaza.

Software Procurement – Benjamin Canlas, Interim VP for Information Technology (MU); Abigail O'Sullivan, Director of Enterprise Architecture (MU); Perry Koob, Acting Chief Information Officer (S&T); Stephen Pottebaum, Director of Information Technology – Support Services (UMKC); and Christopher Scheetz, Director of Information Technology – ITS Operations (UMSL)

VP Canlas and his team provided an overview of the software procurement process, including an overview of the various approvers required based upon the type and usage of the software requested. The discussion touched on how to make the software approval process more transparent, challenges encountered when vendor input is required, and which department has ultimate ownership of the process. Following the meeting, VP Canlas and colleagues were provided with a set of written questions from IFC members, which they will respond to in writing.

TikTok Prohibition Policy – Kathleen Stoan, Director of Research Security and Compliance; and Paul Maguffee, Deputy General Counsel

Stoan discussed a newly proposed policy that would prohibit University faculty, staff, student employees, and volunteers who are performing services in connection with a federal contract from utilizing the TikTok application on a device used in the performance of said contract. The new policy is in direct response to new federal regulations. Stoan noted that the prohibition does not apply to the TikTok website, only the downloaded application.

Shared Governance Report – Anthony Shiu and Pamela Stuerke, IFC Members

Professors Shiu and Stuerke presented the final draft of the Shared Governance Report. IFC voted unanimously to approve and publish it on the IFC website at https://www.umsystem.edu/ums/aa/faculty/ifc-resources-reports.

Reflections and Wrap Up

The Cabinet's next meeting will be held in person on March 4.