Positives

Guest (welcome to the division) – Liz Reeder, Community Relations outlined her role since 2004 as liaison to the neighborhoods and the students living off campus. New initiatives are being planned around respect and being good neighbors and partnerships with division areas such as Fraternity/Sorority Life, Civic Engagement and Student Conduct.

Division/College Updates

- College committee updates (Strategic Plan, etc.) – Pillar 1 Comm. on Student Success is examining needs and current resources in place. Monthly Lunch & Learns on Retention are scheduled, July 6 featuring several academic deans. Jim shared Pillar 2 Comm. on Academic Success is surveying faculty on experiential learning. Bridget shared Pillar 3 on Employee Experience will make recommendations on long/short term goals.
- Convocation Aug. 23 welcoming/events are being planned
- Assessment – Christine shared 2020-2021 results should be entered by June 30 and currently rubrics are being reviewed
- Budget 2021-2022 approved by Board of Trustees to include 3% COLA for permanent employees (non-E&G increases must be absorbed by budget commitments in those areas). Merit increases have a tight turnaround. Budget approval included added support to the division for 3rd Millennium, disabilities accommodations, MUSC/Counseling and physical/mental health wellness resources
- Stern Center Renovation – Budget approval included funds to begin renovations in 2 years, including updates, fitness center, recapturing space from the swimming pool, moving ballroom to a lower floor
- Updated COVID Policies and Implementation
  - Vaccine Campaign (Melantha) – Vax on the Bricks campaign began this week with a goal toward 90% of all students uploading vaccination records
  - Fall Planning Updates (Bridget) – new updates expected from the State this week which may prohibit masks, vaccination requirements and Quarantine & Isolation process will likely change for fall.

Departmental Updates/Announcements

Reminders:

- Belonging and Well-Being –Theme Goals for 2021-2022
- WEBSITES
- Assessment
Ongoing:

- Work on Division Presentation
- Belonging Focus Groups – Cande will be reaching out for recommendations for participants

Upcoming Meeting Guests:

- Amy TP – in progress
- Darcy Everett, Sustainability