Meeting began at 11:45am with introduction from Kathleen Kilway.

Meeting will be an open forum

HSB challenges w/schedules so meetings will alternate between campuses

Gave brief outline of the purpose of the meeting

Chancellor Updates:

- **KC Community**
  - Relationship with community is important
  - How do we leverage community requests with needs of our campus?

- **EOY**
  - Raised approx. 300,000
  - Recognized keynote speaker?

- **CRESCE.NDO**
  - Raised approx. 726,000
  - Attendees left wanting more

- **NCAA Accreditation Visit**
  - Good session, waiting on results
  - Athletes at UMKC have greater attitudes than many other universities

- **Decision Theatre Concept**
  - Model for UMKC to discuss issues and provide solutions
  - Increase traffic at UMKC from community groups who need solutions to not only local but regional problems
  - Tool to add/enhance center of our Urban Mission – Challenge is to fully articulate our mission. Ex: Programmatic areas such as IUE, IEI. (Gail)
  - Visit to Arizona State University Decision Theatre in February of 2008
    - Representatives from UMKC Faculty and Staff, UM System and Community attended
  - Second visit in October 2008
  - Committee will be established to begin planning next steps and securing external funding

- **Focus of campus**
  - Establishing a Foundation
  - 4 Signature Projects – Need to raise 42 million
Provost Updates:

- **Strategic Planning Committee**
  - Announcement will come out soon regarding the committee
  - Subcommittee will be set up to discuss: 1) Priorities of UMKC and 2) Direction of UMKC

- **New Vice Provost for Academic Affairs**
  - Cindy Pemberton will begin on November 17th.
  - Main focus will be undergraduate education and enrollment

- **Retention Task Force**
  - Co-chairing with Mel Tyler
  - Ad Astra will do an expanded study:
    - Classroom scheduling
    - Classroom utilization

Open Forum:

- **Economic situation of the state**
  - UMKC/Missouri is in better position than many other states (Gail)
  - Forsee plans to work with new governor – focus to be on support for higher education (Leo)
    - State built budget on 3.9% revenue but actual was a 1.5% decline.
    - What will happen to UMKC?
      - Need to have contingency plan and UBC is working on this
      - Deans are holding back funds and slowing down some searches to prepare
    - Is UMKC expected to give back funds?
      - No answer to this at this time but we need to prepare

- **Campus Holiday Closing Policy – What is going on?**
  - Closing down does not necessarily save UMKC money
  - Need a consistent policy with other major universities
  - Will honor staff plans for leave for 2008–This is a transition period
  - Sends a message when you shut down a campus
  - Need to make sure all employees are in a safe situation – Department will need to use good judgment

- **State Appropriations – How will they be distributed?**
  - Chancellor’s Discretionary Fund or Credit Rating Funding Formula
    - Many units will be in the red
    - Is our formula too rigid?
    - Does strategic plan drive our decision-making?
    - Numbers from formula may not necessarily be the most recent data
    - Budget Model is to incentivize enrollment growth
    - There is flexibility within the budget model

- **Urban Mission – Statement is scope and not precise of how we operate**
  - Need to decide who you are measuring yourself against
Need to spend time defining our mission
How do you know when you have reached success?

- Strategic Planning – What is the time frame?
  - Next two weeks – committee will be identified
  - Early Spring – draft focused document with action steps and matrix
  - Town Hall Meetings will be held for campus feedback
  - Late Spring – full document complete

- UMKC Budget Model—What is the theory behind it?
  - Discussion regarding State appropriations and that they are determined by the number of hours that faculty teach.
  - Does not seem consistent with UM System Rules and Regulations—Counting hours seems to ignore the mandate

- Online Learning – What is the direction for this?
  - Gordon Lamb has established a task force for this
  - Committee will be established at UMKC:
    - To look at resources we currently have such as staff and IT Support
    - To identify priorities and devote our resources to these areas
  - UMKC may have resources from system but this is not confirmed. Should have more information in a month or so
  - Benchmarking Data (Provost shared with UBC)
    - First Tier is student to teacher ratio Ex: Expansion for Miller Nichols Library to add classroom space
    - Need to look at time scheduling for classes
    - More undergraduate students will bring the ratio down

- Search Updates
  - Bloch School Dean
    - Advertisement is out and there is an extensive list of applicants
    - Deadline for applications is approaching and review of applications will begin in January
    - Challenge: No Chancellor is appointed so final decision will be once chancellor is named
  - Chancellor Search
    - Long/Short List of 15 people to do background checks on
    - Airport interviews in January
    - Three finalists will be brought to campus
  - School of Dentistry Dean
    - Final Advertisement has been placed
    - Challenge: No Chancellor is appointed so final decision will be once chancellor is named
  - School of Education Dean
    - Committee is being identified
• Linda Edwards is retiring at the end of 2009
  • Goal is to appoint a dean by end of this school year

• Discussion on Chancellor Requirements
  o Should be a requirement for chancellor to stay
  o Academic background has been a requirement in the past. It is not clear why this is necessary.
  o Should be a local person
  o Gail mentioned Gary Forsee hopes to build incentives for chancellor to stay
  o Leo mentioned that you want to get someone who “wants” to stay and UMKC and leaves the university in a better position than they found it
    ▪ Campus needs to have a succession plan
    ▪ More emphasis should be placed on planning for all administrative positions—Chancellor could turn over often

• Part-Time Lecturers/Non-Tenure Track Professors – How do we move to full-time?
  o Advantages of Full-Time Faculty (Gail discussed ASU)
    ▪ Better for faculty and students
    ▪ Move salaries to a reasonable level
    ▪ Better academic programs
  o Timing is not best for UMKC because of current budget situation

• Campus wide Environmental/Sustainability
  o Increase virtual meetings
  o Increase online classes – Fold this into distance learning
  o Discussion regarding having less faculty classes
  o Mary Lou Hines will be pulling a group together to discuss next steps

• Fall Break – Why doesn’t UMKC have one?
  o No one has ever asked this question before
  o We would need to make up days later in the year
  o Suggestion: Write a proposal with rationale for the break and submit to Faculty Senate

• Classroom Utilization Studies
  o Recruitment of students should tie into filling times when there is underutilization
  o Problem: Dept./Schools control class times Ex: Bloch has majority of students for night classes whereas A & S has most students between 10:00 and 2:00.
  o Need Academic Chairs to attend meetings to help solve the problem. What can they do?
    ▪ Work with Faculty
    ▪ Work with Deans
    ▪ Need information on when rooms are available
  o Classroom Utilization and Scheduling Meeting Attendees:
    ▪ Deans or designee
    ▪ Mel Tyler
    ▪ Doug Swink
- Marsha Roberts
- Rick Anderson
- Mary Lou Hines