

**JOHN CARROLL UNIVERSITY**  
**UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE ON THE STUDENT LEARNING EXPERIENCE**

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Sr. Katherine Feely, Rodney Hessinger, Devvin La Barge '19,  
Stephanie Levenson, Stacey Love, Brandi Mandzak, Al Miciak, Michelle Millet,  
Maryclaire Moroney, Patrick Mullane, Ed Peck, Karen Schuele, Amy Wainwright

October 17, 2018  
8:30 a.m.; CAS Conference Room

**NOTES**

Present: M. McCarthy, J. Krukones, S. Crahen, C. DeMarchi, M. Farrar, K. Feely, R. Hessinger, S. Levenson, S. Love, B. Mandzak, M. Millet, M. Moroney, P. Mullane, E. Peck, K. Schuele, A. Wainwright

The notes from the meeting of October 3 were approved.

M. McCarthy shared a listing of proposed 2019-2020 Tactics related to the current Strategic Plan Goal/Objectives 1.4 Experiential Education and 1.5 Student Thriving. Members of UCSLE were encouraged to review the tactics and provide feedback and/or additional tactics to members of the USPG. R. Hessinger suggested that there is a need to prioritize the tactics, particularly ones that will require significant funding either from the strategic initiatives fund or through budget reallocation or fundraising. A new model for the delivery of undergraduate advising was suggested as one such priority. A question was raised regarding the status of the Philanthropic Priorities that were shared with USPG and the Board of Directors. M. McCarthy will follow up with Doreen Riley about a progress report.

UCSLE members of the Experiential Learning Working Group (K. Feely, P. Mullane, M. Moroney, B. Mandzak, R. Hessinger) provided a PowerPoint presentation of the group's accomplishments thus far and findings from their research on academic and co-curricular experiential learning opportunities across campus. The Working Group had been charged "to develop processes and procedures that encourage students to engage in experiential learning opportunities, track progress, incorporate best practices in reflection, and develop standards and efficiency across campus." Its accomplishments to date included developing a list of relevant definitions, piloting the Ignatian Reflection Model (fall 2017), organizing a Faculty Development Day (January 2018), conducting a survey inventory as well as interviews with 32 academic departments / programs and the Library, and undertaking a survey of co-curricular experiential learning, employment and leadership roles. The Working Group's survey of experiential learning was organized into three parts—Student Affairs, Academic Affairs, and the Library. Its recommendations include the following: 1) convene a faculty learning community around experiential learning; 2) invite departments to consider opportunities for integrating experiential learning into the curriculum; 3) identify gaps in the pathways for majors and minors and consider adding elements where appropriate; and 4) develop a faculty development workshop series. As next steps, the Working Group suggested that we determine Banner's capacity for tracking and reporting, explore ways for the Registrar's Office to code experiential activities (which is now in process), identify transcript options, consult with the Directors of Foundations Relations, and continue convening the Student Employment Working Group. The ensuing discussion focused on further development of a template for use with students and advisers and ways to market experiential opportunities to internal and external audiences. It

was suggested that an additional set of recommendations regarding ways to further best practices related to the co-curricular experiential learning opportunities would be helpful.

J. Krukones then mentioned that, in the context of student support services, the report of the external reviewers of the Office of Academic Advising was expected to be received soon. It was suggested that UCSLE might want to find out more about plans for Integrated Marketing and Communications in connection with that unit's work on upcoming events and programs, including Blue Streak Day.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 14.

The meeting ended at 10:00 a.m.

Notes recorded by M. McCarthy and J. Krukones