

VPAA Council Agenda 9.12.19

1. **Common App Data Analysis – Nick LaMendola**
2. **Academic Calendar – Andrea Talentino**
3. **Budget Update – Andrea Talentino**
4. **Center for Life’s Work – ROC2025 Project – Emily Carpenter**
5. **NAAAS – Lisa Durant-Jones**

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Common App – Nick presented 3 years of data extracted from the common app that provided insights into why students choose Nazareth College as freshman. Very interesting and important findings that suggest Nazareth’s reputation and strong academic programs and career preparation are a primary draw.

Academic Calendar – Andrea shared a proposal that would slightly alter the current academic calendar by increasing the length of time between fall and spring semester; in essence creating a more robust “J” term.

Pros and Cons discussed but there was consensus to move ahead with the proposal. Additional campus stakeholders will be consulted. Notes: Summer schedule will stay the same; start date would be Sp2021

Budget – Andrea reviewed budget projections for AY20. Currently a shortfall exists. Final numbers will be available after census. Senior administrators have asked that departments/units be fiscally responsible and consider reduced spending in areas that are non-essential i.e. hospitality and travel.

CFLW – Emily Carpenter shared findings from a newly formed alliance in the Rochester area that is looking at attracting and retaining talent in the region. Emily consulted with Nick L to determine stats for the number of UG students who graduate from Naz and stay in the area. Data suggests that Nazareth actually is a strong importer of talent with 36% of students from outside the Rochester area, remaining to work in Rochester. ~62% of the Naz UG completer students, who are from Rochester, remain in the area.

NAAAS – Lisa Durant-Jones updated the Council on planning and campus involvement for the upcoming conference.

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