

**TO:** University of Idaho Faculty and Staff  
**FROM:** Chuck Staben, President  
**DATE:** October 10, 2016  
**SUBJECT:** Appointments to the Institutional Planning and Effectiveness Committee

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I am grateful to UI Faculty Senate, Staff Council and ASUI for nominating a group of Vandals to serve on the Institutional Planning and Effectiveness committee (IPEC). The IPEC will be comprised of:

- Cruz Botello, President, ASUI (or designee as needed)
- Elizabeth Brandt, Faculty Senate Chair and Professor of Law (interim appointment)
- Dan Ewart, Vice President for Infrastructure
- Brian Foisy, Vice President for Finance
- Mary Kay McFadden, Vice President for Advancement
- Janet Nelson, Vice President for Research and Economic Development
- Jodie Nicotra, Associate Chair, Associate Professor, English Department
- Janice Todish, Administration and Fiscal Operations Director, CLASS
- John Wiencek, Provost and Executive Vice President (Chair)

The IPEC will begin its work immediately and will likely establish subcommittees or working groups to help accomplish the tasks before the committee which include the following:

1. By February 2017, provide recommendations to incentivize enrollment growth.
2. Identify opportunities to gain efficiencies and effectiveness by consolidating key UI services such as information technology, development, finance, human resources, student advising, communications and marketing, research support (pre-award and post-award) and some facilities management functions by February 2017.
3. Successfully launch the new strategic plan by coordinating and aligning unit/college Cascaded Plans.
4. Advise and consult with the University Budget and Finance Committee (UBFC) to ensure the UBFC's recommendations are consistent with the strategic plan.
5. Implement a refreshed program prioritization process that is consistent with the State Board of Education's new policy.
6. Continue to explore opportunities to include a portion of unexpended year-end funds in the UBFC process.

Please join me in offering support, advice and constructive feedback to this committee as they begin their important work.