SIS Board of Visitors Meeting
DRAFT Agenda (as of Sept 15)

Sunday, September 18, 2016 (Wyndham Pittsburgh, University Center—Lobby Restaurant)

6:00pm - 8:30 pm Informal dinner (off the menu) in Bridges Restaurant for guests arriving on Sunday (A nice way to catch-up before the meetings begin early Monday morning.) As always, Pittsburgh Board members are welcome to attend!

Monday, September 19, 2016 (please note various locations)

AM—Wyndham Pittsburgh, University Center
8:00 am Breakfast (Wyndham, Schenley Ballroom I-III)

9:00 am Welcome by Dr. Moyé and Dean Larsen
  • Review of agenda and goals for the meeting
  • Introduction of participants

9:15 am Dean’s update – R. Larsen
  • Overview of 2015 meeting outcomes and subsequent activities related to the proposal consolidating SIS and CS into a new academic unit called the School of Computing and Information (SCI)
    o Nathan Urban (Vice Provost) to chair search committee for SCI dean
    o July 1, 2017 target for SCI dean’s arrival
  • Review of university-level approval progress & process for the proposed School of Computing & Information (SCI)
    o Presentation to BOT, Academic Affairs & Libraries Committee (Feb. 25, 2016), and Deans (June 3, 2016)
    o Approval secured from both Dietrich School of Arts & Sciences and the School of Information Sciences
    o PACUP, UCGS, Provost, Chancellor approval anticipated early Fall 2016
    o BOT approval anticipated in Oct 2016
  • Update on benchmark numbers (enrollment, placement, alumni giving, research funding ...) for SIS and CS
  • Pitt’s role in building a global consortium of information schools (iSchools)
    o Leadership of consortium (77+ universities)
    o Establishing commissions to advance the organization and its mission
      ▪ Global accreditation of iSchools
      ▪ Governance & funding models
      ▪ Internal operations (e.g., IT infrastructure)

10:30 am Break
10:45 am  Highlights of final reports of SCI planning committees (15 min. each)
   • Research & Collaborations committee (Childers, Hé, Mossé)
   • Organizational Structure committee (Krishnamurthy, Melhem)
   • Education & Curriculum committee (Brusilovsky, Ramirez, Perkoski)
   • Vision & Identity committee (Weiss, Wiebe)

11:45 am  Walk to Information Sciences Building (3 blocks away)

12:00 noon  Lunch (Information Sciences Building, 3rd Floor)

**Afternoon sessions continue in 3rd Floor, IS Building**

1:30 pm  iSchool Inclusion Institute (i3) retrospective review--now in 6th year (Depew)
   • Initial concept, proposal, aspirations, and expectations (2010 planning grant from A.W. Mellon Foundation) – M. Depew
   • Six cohorts of students
      o What we learned
      o What they learned
   • Accountability and assessment
      o What the i3 students have accomplished
      o Where they are now
   • Prospects for the future
      o AW Mellon’s communications re sustainability
      Engaging other iSchools more directly (e.g., Rutgers)

2:00 pm  Incoming (interim) Department Chairs’ reports (20 min. each)
   • Computer Science (Znati)
   • Informatics & Networked Systems (Weiss)
   • Information Culture & Data Stewardship (Cox/Bowler/Lyon)

   **How is your department approaching its role and mission in the new School of Computing & Information?**
   **How might collaborations with other Pitt units advance or impede the interests of your faculty and students?**
   **How might they advance Pitt’s strategic priorities?**
   **How do you envision your department’s work?**

3:00 pm  Break

3:30 pm  Laying an extensible foundation for interdisciplinary collaboration
   • Pharmacy as an exemplar for X-informatics
      o Introduction to programming
      o Systems Analysis
      o Data Management & Analytics
      o Solution Design / Consulting
      o Practicum
   • Framework for faculty-led, team-based interdisciplinary student projects (e.g., capstones)

4:00 pm  Building regional partnerships that support Pitt’s strategic plan
   • Pittsburgh Mayor’s Office (website, help desk, ...--Babichenko/Mitchell)
   • Cybersecurity Center (Joshi)
4:30 pm  Plenary discussion
5:00 pm  Adjourn

**Return to Wyndham Pittsburgh, University Center (Ballrooms) for Reception and Dinner**

5:30 pm  Reception (Wyndham, Schenley Ballroom IV-VI)
         Student Poster Session
6:00 pm  Provost Beeson’s Update and Charge to the Board
6:30 pm  Board Dinner
8:00 pm  Adjourn

**Tuesday, September 20, 2016 (please note various locations)**

AM--Wyndham Pittsburgh, University Center

8:00 am  Breakfast (Wyndham, Schenley I-III)
9:00 am  Review and reflection of Monday’s meeting and the Provost’s charge
         • Issues to carry forward today
         • Tentative conclusions and recommendations
         • Open questions to be considered today

9:30 am  Plenary discussion
         • BoV members
         • SCI department chairs, administrators, & invitees
10:30 am Break
10:45 am Closed session of the BoV to consider findings and
         recommendations related to Provost's charge
         • BoV members
         • BoV invitees (as requested)
11:30 am Walk to Information Sciences Building (3 blocks away)
12:00 noon Lunch--BoV members + invitees (Information Sciences Building, 3rd Floor)

**Afternoon continue in 3rd Floor, IS Building**

1:00 pm  Board closed session continues
2:00 pm  Provost’s Closed Executive Session (Board Members only--3rd floor Quiet Study)
3:00 pm  Adjourn
Arrive at Alumni Hall, Connolly Ballroom (Main Lobby)—just off 5th Avenue for “thank you” Banquet

6:00 pm  Reception for current and former BoV members (Alumni Hall, Connolly Ballroom – Lobby Level)
   • SIS faculty, staff, and invited students
   • Provost and Vice Provosts

6:20 pm  BoV 10-year retrospective – a decade of impact (Larsen/Moye)
   • Where we started
   • BoV recommendations and SIS outcomes
   • A new era commences with the formation of the SCI

6:30 pm  Banquet celebrating 10 years of BoV accomplishments

8:30 pm  Adjourn the final meeting of the SIS Board of Visitors