OS meeting notes

1. **Fundraising Committee:**

Basket Raffle – made $1,002
Parking spot auction – the space was auctioned off for $675

2. **Presidents Commission on Diversity** - Keisha Sheedy – Keisha discussed the newly formed President’s Commission on Diversity and its purpose. They will be working on its mission – Several goals are to:

- Identify the gaps in efforts to foster diversity and serve campus needs.
- Establishing a multi-cultural office

3. **NEASC accreditation** – Nancy Betchart. The NEASC accreditation process is undertaken every 10 yrs – As part of the accreditation process, Nancy is organizing a series of 5 brown bag lunches for the University self study process. The brown bags will be held on:

April 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 - schedule is also posted.

The brown bags will begin with a 5 minute presentation on a particular topic (listed in schedule) – then the committee will be gathering feedback from the group. Snacks and drinks will be served. There will also be an opportunity to provide input even if you can’t attend.

This is a very important process and opportunity to give feedback on important University Issues.

For more information, go to: [https://www.plymouth.edu/office/neasc/](https://www.plymouth.edu/office/neasc/)

4. **Master Plan** – Linda Wirth discussed some of the ideas that are being considered for the plan.

1. Build a new Prospect Hall on Merrill St – then repurpose the current Prospect Hall as conference and meeting space.

2. Close off High St to motorized vehicles for some or all of the day.

For more information on the maps and proposed ideas, contact Linda

5. **Parking Committee – no updates – no changes**

6. **Physical Plant** Mark Casale – spoke briefly about construction going on throughout the Spring and Summer on the walkways – there were problems with the installation of the walkways and they will be reinstalling all over campus.

7. **Andy Palumbo** - Assistant Vice President of Enrollment Management of Director of Admissions

Andy came to introduce himself and answer any questions about admissions and enrollment – Among the issues discussed were:
• Admissions and enrollment for the Fall – while admissions are up from past years, it is too early to tell how actual enrollment will be in relation to previous years. We will know more in mid-May. As he described, it’s a buyers market for students –
• The tricky role the admissions office must manage for students who are interested in coming to PSU for the Nursing Program – which is at capacity. They want to make certain that students who have expressed an interest in the Nursing Program are informed that they will not be given special consideration as current PSU students when applying for the program.

Andy has invited anyone to stop to say hi and share thoughts....

8. OS committee nominations - The nomination process is in progress – on April 22, nomination ballots will be going out - ends May 10.

9. The DOSA ceremony is May 8 – the committee is on track to complete its process.