**Provost Report**

**Faculty Senate**

**April 25, 2012**

Search Updates:

1. College of Business Dean

* 3 candidates visited campus
* Meeting with the search committee this week to receive their feedback and recommendations
* Will move forward to finalize the decision with the Chancellor after that meeting

1. College of Education and Allied Professions

* Search committee for Interim Dean has been formed
* Applications are due by 5:00 on Wednesday, April 25th (today)
* Search committee meets on Friday morning, April 27th

1. Graduate School and Research

* Feedback from the campus did not provide clear direction so it was determined we need to do more exploration of best practices and utilize the pending 2020 Commission as well as the Millennial Initiative report to develop a plan for the future of Graduate School and Research for WCU
* A task force will be established in fall, 2012 to explore options more extensively
* In the short term I am moving forward to conduct an abbreviated internal search for an Interim Dean of Graduate School and Research
* Nominations for the Search Committee membership as well as the Interim Dean are underway.

Asheville Space

* Forum on marketing Western Carolina University Programs at Biltmore Park is being held Thursday, April 26 at 9:30 in the UC Theatre
* Subcommittees are working on various aspects of services and programming---library, student healthcare, student activities, etc.

Roll-up funds

* So far roll-up funds have been allocated to support items such as discipline-specific computer labs; new HHS building labs, equipment, and furniture; equipment for health professions and performing arts; library access technology; equipment and furniture for Biltmore Park; etc.