

**Provost's Advisory Council  
Summary of October 25, 2012 meeting**

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approved, with the understanding

that the item about academic integrity would be expanded slightly to note faculty effectiveness in raising awareness of the topic. The summary will be sent to the President's Office. All summaries are posted on the Provost's Office website; members are encouraged to share the summary with colleagues.

2. The Council discussed suggestions regarding the five-year review of Deans for reappointment. The Provost performs the annual performance appraisals of deans; deans are appointed and reappointed by the President.

Suggestions as to the design of reviews for reappointment were invited:

A question was raised as to whether the reappointment review would be based on qualitative information, or would include quantitative elements. The Provost responded that it would be possible to include both qualitative and quantitative information in the review, and that would be the determination of the President.

It was proposed that the Office for Institutional Research could play a useful and supporting role in the review of Deans.

Next steps:

1. Members of the Council will review the draft summary of this discussion and propose language for any amendments.
2. Some members asked whether a memo to the President outlining recommendations should be drafted by a subgroup of the Council. The summary of the meeting will be forwarded to the President, as has been past custom; if the Council determines that additional communication would be desirable, that will be explored in further discussions.
3. The Provost reported that in June, the Academic Affairs subcommittee of the Board of Trustees reviewed a report prepared by the Office of Institutional Research about key indicators for the University. The Trustees noted that the percentage of international students was low relative to Boston College's peer institutions and asked for information. At the September meeting of the subcommittee, the group discussed the potential impact of increasing international student enrollment.

The Provost invited the subcommittee to review the report on international student enrollment.

enhancing the pipeline of international students. Alternatively, BC might form individual partnerships or relationships with key institutions overseas to enhance its profile among international students and their families.

It was suggested that the question of international student enrollments could be more usefully viewed in the context of whether Boston College's mission.