Areas of Council Attention for 2017-2018

Strategic Plan
Oversee implementation Strategic Plan with 8 Essential Initiatives.
Using recently established goals provided by Provost, review this year’s goals of each division related to initiatives of strategic plan.
Review the Strategic Planning Priorities for last year, assess progress, and integrate into this year’s priorities.
Determine the strategic planning priorities that we will watch the metrics for this year. These will be our working priorities.
Review and obtain information about tracking progress so that we know what we will look for at the end of the year to see what progress has been made. Determine what data we need to review.
Review current Strategic Plan metrics and revise if necessary.
Conduct an analysis of other factors (SWOT?) to see if other needs (tie in to the future planning).

Specific Action Items related to Strategic Plan from Provost/Cabinet
Integrate EI VII (Build Quality Online Education) into EI I (Nurture Innovation and the Learning Environment)
Further develop new-faculty support and ongoing faculty development
Continue activities to enact strategies to improve student success (including retention rates and graduation rates, including freshman pre-registration, Early Warning System, and peer-to-peer support.
Review and make recommendations regarding Institutional Learning Outcomes in college mission statement.

Developing Ongoing Planning
Along with the strategic planning work, begin to develop/connect ongoing planning process on campus.
Determine if/how planning is done now in each area, and where it connects in to area/divisional goals and to the Strategic Plan. Describe operational campus planning as it currently exists.
Based on this knowledge, strategize how to focus on planning and have assessment efforts follow planning objectives and cycles, which will achieve a reduced (but increasingly effective/meaningful assessment process).
Work to improve connections in the planning process so that it ultimately ties to budget process.

Future
Plan for the transition from our current Strategic Plan initiatives to a strategic planning process that integrates shorter-term (1-3 year strategic goals) into ongoing planning process and brings to bear external and internal needs to periodic (annual?) strategic goals.

Communication Plan
Propose a communication plan that informs campus about ongoing progress in Council work. Work with Associate Provost to communicate both reports and questions for Provost and Cabinet connection.