MINUTES
University Council
Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 3 p.m.
Holmes Student Center Sky Room
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois

Full transcript


VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Bond, Boughton, Campbell, Chitwood, Chung, Click, Elish-Piper, Freeman, Hunt, Krmenc, Ledgerwood, Penrod, Rajagopalan, Song, Zolotor

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan, Falkoff, Jensen, Klaper, McGill, McHone-Chase, VandeCreek, Wesener Michael, Whitelaw

OTHERS ABSENT: Blazey, Kortegast

I. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Executive Vice President and Provost C. McCord, on behalf of Acting President L. Freeman, called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

II. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was established.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

M. Haji-Sheikh moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by R. Scherer. Motion passed by voice vote.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 31, 2018 MEETING MINUTES

C. Doederlein moved to approve the minutes, seconded by D. Ballantine. Motion passed by voice vote.
V. PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Technology Accessibility at NIU – presentation
   Katy Whitelaw, Information Technology Access Officer
   Illinois Information Technology Accessibility Act 2.0 effective January 18, 2018
   Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act Refresh effective January 18, 2018
   Reducing risk of litigation (PDF)

B. Textbook Affordability – presentation
   Fred Barnhart, Dean, University Libraries
   Leanne VandeCreek, Acting Associate Dean, University Libraries
   Ian Crone, Director, Holmes Student Center
   Stephanie Torres, Director, Academic Affairs, Student Association

C. Illinois State Legislature Higher Education Working Group
   Chris McCord, Acting Executive Vice President and Provost

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Ombudsperson End-of-Term Review received by the Office of the President,
   Lisa Freeman, Acting President

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

IX. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE – Linda Saborío – report – Page 3

B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – no report
   Barbara Andree, Catherine Doederlein, Alex Gelman,
   Mark Riley, Linda Saborío, Kendall Thu

C. Academic Policy Committee – Terry Bishop, Chair – no report

D. Resources, Space and Budget Committee – Jim Wilson, Chair, and
   Sarah McHone-Chase Faculty Senate Liaison/Spokesperson – report

E. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – Therese Arado, Chair – no report

F. University Affairs Committee – Reed Scherer, Chair – no report

G. Student Association – Rachel Jacob, President; Christine Wang, Speaker of the Senate – report
H. Operating Staff Council – Barbara Andree, President – report

I. Supportive Professional Staff Council – Catherine Doederlein, President – report – Pages 4-20

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

XI. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Minutes, Academic Planning Council
B. Minutes, Athletic Board
C. Minutes, Baccalaureate Council
D. Minutes, Board of Trustees
E. Minutes, Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
F. Minutes, Comm. on the Improvement of the Undergraduate Academic Experience
G. Minutes, General Education Committee
H. Minutes, Graduate Council
I. Minutes, Graduate Council Curriculum Committee
J. Minutes, Honors Committee
K. Minutes, Operating Staff Council
L. Minutes, Supportive Professional Staff Council
M. Minutes, University Assessment Panel
N. Minutes, University Benefits Committee
O. Minutes, Univ. Comm. on Advanced and Nonteaching Educator License Programs
P. Minutes, University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure

XII. ADJOURNMENT

H. Nicholson moved to adjourn, seconded by M. Haji-Sheikh.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.