MINUTES
University Council
Wednesday, September 12, 2018, 3 p.m.
Altgeld Hall 315
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois


VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Bolden, Bond, Chitwood, Coleman, Davis, Fredericks, Halicki, Kim, Mogren, Monteiro, Rajagopalan, Siegesmund, Song, Staikidis, Stephen, Zamora

OTHERS PRESENT: Blazey, Bryan, Falcoff, Jensen, Klaper, McGill, Parker, Ressler, Wesener Michael

OTHERS ABSENT: Kortegast

I. CALL TO ORDER
NIU Acting President L. Freeman called the meeting to order at 3:08 p.m.

II. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM
A quorum was established.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
R. Scherer moved to adopt the agenda, and the motion was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MAY 2, 2018 MINUTES
C. Doederlein moved to approve the minutes, and the motion was seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT
VI. PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Ombudsperson Annual Report per Bylaws, Article 20.1 – Sarah Klaper – Pages 4-17 Presentation

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

W. Penrod moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by O. Chmaissem. Motion passed by voice vote.

A. Approve the 2018-19 UC Standing Committee membership rosters per NIU Bylaws Article 2 – Page 18

B. Approve the 2018-19 University Advisory Committee to the BOT membership roster, confirming Sarah Marsh for a three-year term (2018-2021) per NIU Bylaws, Article 17.4.1.1 – Page 19

C. Review Policies for Distance Education Courses Carrying Undergraduate Credit every 5 years, APPM Section III, Item 23 – refer to Academic Policy Committee – Pages 20-21

D. Approve nominee, Richard Baert, Pensions & Investments Newspaper (a Crain Communications publication), to serve as a community-at-large member of the Northern Star Publications Board for a three-year term (2018-2021) per committee membership guidelines – Page 22

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proposed amendment to NIU Bylaws Article 15.7 Committee on Initial Teacher Certification – Pages 23-25

FIRST READING

Jenny Parker, Associate Vice Provost for Educator Licensure and Preparation

B. Temporary appointment timeline waiver request per NIU Bylaws, Article 19.5.2.2

Abul Azad, Acting Associate Dean for Undergraduate Academic Affairs, Outreach and Diversity, College of Engineering and Engineering Technology – Pages 26-27

Donald Peterson, Dean, College of Engineering and Engineering Technology

M. Haji-Sheikh moved to approve the temporary appointment timeline waiver request, seconded by G. Chen. Motion approved by voice vote.
C. Temporary appointment timeline waiver request per NIU Bylaws, Article 19.5.2.2
Federico Sciammarella, Interim Chair, Department of Mechanical Engineering, College of Engineering and Engineering Technology – Pages 28-29

Donald Peterson, Dean, College of Engineering and Engineering Technology

M. Haji-Sheikh moved to approve the temporary appointment timeline waiver request, seconded by G. Chen. Motion approved by voice vote.

X. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

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

B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – report
   Holly Nicholson, Catherine Doederlein, Therese Arado
   Alex Gelman, Sarah Marsh, Kendall Thu

C. Academic Policy Committee – Vicki Collins, Chair – no report

D. Resources, Space and Budget Committee – Jim Wilson, Chair – no report

E. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – Richard Siegesmund, Chair – no report

F. University Affairs Committee – Hamid Bateni, Chair – no report

G. Student Association – report
   Khiree Cross, President
   Tristan Martin, Speaker of the Senate

H. Operating Staff Council – Holly Nicholson, President – report

I. Supportive Professional Staff Council – Catherine Doederlein, President – report

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
R. 2017-18 Annual Report, Athletic Board
S. 2017-18 Annual Report, Faculty & SPS Personnel Advisor
T. 2017-18 Annual Report, Graduate Council
U. 2017-18 Annual Report, Office of the Ombudsperson
V. 2017-18 Annual Report, University Assessment Panel
W. 2017-18 Annual Report, University Benefits Committee
X. 2017-18 Annual Report, University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure
Y. 2017-18 Annual Report, University Council Personnel Committee
Z. 2018-19 Faculty Senate meeting dates:
   Sep 12, Oct 10, Nov 7, Dec 5, Jan 30, Feb 27, Apr 3, May 1
AA. NIU liaison to SURSMAC
    NIU HRS is recruiting one academic and one non-academic employee to serve as liaisons to the State Universities Retirement System Members Advisory Committee. To learn more, contact Celeste Latham or Liz Guess.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

K. Thu moved to adjourn, seconded by J. Wilson.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.