University Council

MINUTES NOVEMBER 10, 2015 3 – 4:20 PM STUDENT UNION 312

MEETING CALLED BY Stacey Moore, chair
TYPE OF MEETING Monthly Meeting
PRESIDER Harvey Sterns, vice chair
NOTE TAKER Kim Haverkamp

ATTENDEES

Member: Larry Burns, Thomas Calderon, Caroline Drotar, James Durbin, Elizabeth Erickson, Wayne Hill, Nancy Homa, Kristin Koskey, Isaac Lampner, Tim Lillie, Chand Midha, Stephen Myers, Godfrey Ovwigho, Diane Raybuck, Shiva Sastry, Mike Sherman, Michael Spayd, Harvey Sterns, Lauri Thorpe, Bill Viau

Absent with notice: Rick Angeletti, Kristine Kraft, John MacDonald, Stacey Moore, Nathan Mortimer, Suzanne Testerman

Absent without notice: Nancy Marion, Monique Mullett, Brittne Paramore, Taylor Swift

Other attendees: Kim Haverkamp, Willy Kollman, Natalie Waksmanski

Agenda topics:

3:00 – 3:09 CALL TO ORDER HARVEY STERNS

1. The vice chair called the meeting to order. He asked for additions to the agenda. There being none, the agenda was approved as distributed by unanimous consent.

2. The chair asked for additions or corrections to the October 13 University Council (UC) minutes. There being none, the agenda was approved as distributed by unanimous consent. The minutes will be posted to the UC website and SharePoint site.

3:09 – 3:15 STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT HARVEY STERNS

1. The vice chair reviewed the attached November 3 UC Steering Committee minutes.

2. President Scarborough sent the attached Update from the Higher Learning Commission to the campus community on November 13. President Scarborough stated, “We anticipate that an AGB representative will be on campus for several days during early December to interview a broad cross-section of the campus community concerning their perspectives on the status of and attitudes toward shared governance.”

The following motion was made:

University Council members and standing committee chairs would like the opportunity to meet with AGB during the December campus visit. The motion carried by unanimous consent.
3:15 – 3:16 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

DISCUSSION Stacy Moore will present a retention report at the December 10 UC meeting.

3:16 – 3:40 IN-DEPTH STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

DISCUSSION Institutional Advancement:

The appointed administrator discussed the attached In-Depth Standing Committee Report. The following topics were discussed:

- Development and UA Foundation: This unit will focus on identifying strategies and setting goals for fundraising
- Government Relations: This unit will focus on strengthening our relationships with local government and increasing our presence in Columbus and Washington, DC
- Alumni Affairs: This unit will focus on integrating our alumni with enrollment and fundraising efforts as well as building strategic relationships in Cleveland, Pittsburgh and Detroit

3:40 – 3:55 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

DISCUSSION Budget and Finance: The committee is discussing ways to be involved in the 2017 budget planning process. Committee members are reaching out to their constituent groups for feedback.

Communications: The committee worked with the Recreation and Wellness Committee to develop a smoking and tobacco use survey. The survey is scheduled to be completed this semester and the results will be presented to the UC.

Information Technology: No Report.

Physical Environment: The committee is being brought up to date on campus projects. They are working on goal development.

Student Engagement and Success: No Report.

Recreation and Wellness: No Report.

Talent Development and Human Resources: The committee has formed subcommittees to work on the goals presented at the Oct. 13 UC meeting.

3:55 – 4:20 NEW BUSINESS

DISCUSSION Mike Strong, Interim Associate Dean of Students, discussed the attached Campus Climate: Sexual Assault Survey presentation. The following are some points of interest:

- The survey was sent to the faculty, staff and students at all UA campuses
- The survey was anonymous and self-reporting
- The survey findings are representative of those that completed the survey; we do not know everything that has happened on campus
- 3,330 people completed the survey (10% response rate)
- The survey contained 50 questions; 95% of the questions came from the White House Task Force to Protect Students from Sexual Assault (federal initiative)
- As faculty and staff of the University of Akron, it is our responsibility to report sexual assault
- More information is available at [http://www.uakron.edu/save-team](http://www.uakron.edu/save-team) (including the survey questions and responses)

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m. by unanimous consent.