

# University Council

## MINUTES

AUGUST 26, 2014

3 – 4:35 PM

MEETING CALLED BY	Stacey Moore, chair
TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly Meeting
PRESIDER	Stacey Moore, chair
NOTE TAKER	Kim Haverkamp
ATTENDEES	<p><b>Member:</b> Turner Anderson, Stewart Blessing, Matt Bungard, Candace Campbell Jackson, David Cummins, Ted Curtis, James Durbin, Elizabeth Erickson, Ali Hajjafar, Mary Hardin, Wayne Hill, Nancy Homa, Chelsi King, Timothy Lillie, Nancy Marion, Chand Midha, Stacey Moore, Nathan Mortimer, Diane Raybuck, Ian Schwarber, Mike Sherman, Harvey Sterns, Suzanne Testerman, Lauri Thorpe, Monte Turner, Bill Viau</p> <p><b>Absent with notice:</b> Eileen Korey, Kristine Kraft  <b>Absent without notice:</b> Kristin Koskey, John LaGuardia, Kathie Ruther  <b>Other attendees:</b> Kim Haverkamp, Sean Fuller</p>

### Agenda topics

3:00 – 3:05

CALL TO ORDER

STACEY MOORE

DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The co-chair called the meeting to order. She asked for additions to the agenda. There being none, the agenda was approved as distributed by unanimous consent.</li> <li>The co-chair asked for additions or corrections to the July 8 University Council (UC) minutes. There being none, the minutes were approved as distributed by unanimous consent.</li> <li>President Scarborough attended the meeting and addressed the Council. The following is a summary of his remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>He is meeting people in the community and they are excited about the momentum the University has built</li> <li>He is getting to know the people that report to him and adjusting the organizational structure to better serve the University</li> <li>He is learning about the overall state of the University's finances</li> <li>He is delighted to be at The University of Akron</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
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3:05 – 3:15

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

SUZANNE TESTERMAN

DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The secretary reviewed the <a href="#">July 23 UC Steering Committee minutes</a>.</li> <li>Suzanne Testerman volunteered to serve on the IdeaExchange Operational Board on behalf of University Council. IdeaExchange@Uakron (<a href="http://idealexchange.uakron.edu/">http://idealexchange.uakron.edu/</a>) is an open access publication and research dissemination service for faculty, staff, and students. The goal of the service is to provide broad, perpetual access to the intellectual output of The University of Akron.</li> </ol>
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	3. In response to feedback from University Council, the Student Retention and Completion plan is being revised. A new draft will go to the Student Engagement and Success committee for review and their recommendation is expected to come to UC in September or October.
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3:15 – 3:15 UNFINISHED BUSINESS STACEY MOORE

DISCUSSION	There were none at this time.
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3:15 – 3:30 IN-DEPTH STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT JAMES DURBIN

DISCUSSION	The chair of the Talent Development and Human Resources committee presented the attached report on the progress of their goals: <a href="#">TDHR report to UC</a> .
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3:30 – 4:30 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

DISCUSSION	<p>The UC chair reminded standing committee chairs and administrators for support of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please report the progress of standing committee goals at the monthly UC meetings</li> <li>• Please send your standing committee meeting schedule to Suzanne Testerman, <a href="mailto:smt@uakron.edu">smt@uakron.edu</a>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Budget and Finance</b> The administrator for support presented the attached response regarding the Tuition Guarantee motion from USG: <a href="#">Tuition Guarantee Response PowerPoint</a>. The motion was referred to the committee for analysis. The committee looked at the proposal in terms of scenarios. The committee does not recommend moving forward with this proposal based on the demographics of our students, UA’s retention rate and the policy reasons described in the presentation.</p> <p><b>Communications</b> The committee is working on ways to get the message out to campus about the recently formed Sexual Assault Response Team (SART). As part of the Title IX education program, all incoming students have taken an interactive, online learning module called <i>Think About It</i>, which provides students with additional tools they can use to make informed decisions about sex, drugs, alcohol, relationships and other issues they may face during their first months in college.</p> <p><b>Information Technology</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The committee is working on setting long-term goals.</li> <li>2. Some members of the UC IT committee are on the Chief Technology Officer search committee.</li> <li>3. The wireless upgrade is currently underway at the Student Union and Bierce Library.</li> <li>4. Verizon Wireless has proposed installing antennas around campus at no cost to the University to improve service because 65% of the campus communities are Verizon customers.</li> </ol> <p><b>Physical Environment</b> The committee helped facilitate a discussion between the College of Education dean and the faculty regarding the design of the interim office space at Central Hower. The space includes 16 private offices and 80 cubical spaces with 4’ partitions.</p>
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	<p><b>Public Affairs &amp; Development</b> – No report.</p> <p><b>Recreation and Wellness</b> – No Report.</p> <p><b>Student Engagement &amp; Success</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The committee will be working on the student experience model. The new draft of the Retention and Completion Plan will explain the student experience and the Akron experience.</li> <li>2. The chair of the SEAS committee thanked UC members and their colleagues for everyone’s involvement in recruitment, enrollment and retention. She summarized President Scarborough’s message to campus: <a href="#">Welcoming a new class of Zips</a>.</li> </ol>
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4:30 – 4:35

NEW BUSINESS

MIKE SHERMAN

DISCUSSION	<p>Provost Sherman welcomed UC members back to a great academic year. Many faculty, staff and students came together to recruit, retain and support student success demonstrating what a shared common interest can do for an institution. He thanked UC member for their great work.</p> <p>The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m. by unanimous consent.</p>
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