University Council
MINUTES
APRIL 10, 2012 3:00 – 5:00 PM

MEETING CALLED BY Tim Lillie and Mike Sherman
TYPE OF MEETING Monthly Meeting
FACILITATOR Tim Lillie
NOTE TAKER Kim Haverkamp
ATTENDEES Dale Adams, Jim Boyes, Matt Bungard, Julie Burdick, Gustavo Carri, David Cummins, Kelly Daw, Alexa Doubt, Elizabeth Erickson, Kim Gentile, Jessica Goerke, Kim Haverkamp, Wayne Hill, Becky Hoover, John Kline, Eileen Korey, Tim Lillie, Kent Marsden, Jim McHugh, Sue McKibben, Chand Midha, Stacey Moore, Justin Orashan, Nancy Roadruck, Jim Sage, Shivakumar Sastry, Steve Sedlock, Mike Sherman, Cheryl Slusarczyk, Laura Spray, Harvey Sterns, Tom Wistrin, David Witt

Absent: Charlie Fey, Karastin Katusin, John LaGuardia, George Newkome, Andrea Pavlichich, Deanne Reynolds
Absent with notice: None

Agenda topics
3:00 – 3:05 CALL TO ORDER TIM LILLIE

DISCUSSION Tim Lillie called the meeting to order. He asked for additions to the agenda. There being none, the agenda was approved as distributed. He asked for additions or corrections to the March 20th University Council (UC) minutes. There being none, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as distributed.

ACTION ITEMS
PERSON RESPONSIBLE DEADLINE

3:05 – 3:17 STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT [PRESENTER]

DISCUSSION The Steering Committee met with members of the ad hoc Bylaws Review and Recommendation Committee and discussed the charge for the committee. Kent Marsden, UC Vice chair, will convene the first meeting.

The Steering Committee discussed the suggestion to designate office space and administrative support for UC activities and remuneration for non-administrative Steering Committee Members and Standing Committee Co-Chairs because of the time commitment involved. The Steering Committee will continue to discuss this topic.

The Steering Committee discussed the suggestion to align ideas that are generated through Golden Ideas to UC. The decision was made not to align Golden Ideas with UC at this time. Ideas can be brought to UC with an Issue Brief, through a Standing Committee or at a UC meeting.

A question was raised about the process of disseminating UC information to the campus community on a
regular basis. The UC website and UC SharePoint site are the tools currently being used for information dissemination. UC members are responsible for reporting UC information to their Constituency Groups. A suggestion was made to ask the Communication Standing Committee to develop a UC newsletter as one of their committee tasks. The Communication Standing Committee reported that they have established a subcommittee to look at their charge and they will take the suggestion under advisement.

**ACTION ITEMS**

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3:55 – 4:35 PM  **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**  **STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

**Budget & Finance** - The report is attached: [Budget and Finance Report to UC 4-10-12]

**Communication** – They will discuss the suggestion to create a UC newsletter at their next meeting and have a response at the next UC meeting.

**Information Technology** – The report is attached: [Information Technology Report to UC 4-10-12]

**Physical Environment** – The report is attached: [Physical Environment Report to UC 4-10-12]

**Research** - The report is attached: [Research Report to UC 4-10-12].
- A resolution was proposed to change the way Opportunity Briefs are distributed on campus. The proposal is attached: [Opportunity Briefs Proposal]. There was discussion as to whether Zipline is the appropriate vehicle for information distribution. A motion was made to change the language to “Zipline or its successors.” The motion was adopted.
- A resolution was proposed to hold an annual, faculty-focused UA Cross-Domain Research Symposium in Fall Semesters. The proposal is attached: [Inter-Disciplinary Symposium Proposal]. An amendment was proposed to pass the resolution pending referral to the Budget and Finance Standing Committee. The amendment was adopted. A second amendment was proposed to send the proposal to the Faculty Senate Research Committee. The amendment was adopted. A vote was taken to adopt the proposed resolution and then send the proposal to the Budget and Finance Committee and the Faculty Senate Research Committee before action is taken. The resolution was adopted as amended.

**Student Engagement and success** – The committee met with the Military Veterans Association.

**Talent Development and Human Resources** - The report is attached: [Talent Development and Human Resources Report to UC 4-10-12]

The reports are posted in the Standing Committee section of the UC SharePoint site.

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4:35 – 5:00 PM  **NEW BUSINESS**  **TIM LILIE**

**Discussion**

A motion was proposed to have UC review hiring across campus. The proposal is attached: [Faculty Staff Staffing Proposal]. Tim Lillie read the motion (the first paragraph of the document in bold type). The first sentence of the paragraph is not part of the motion. The supporting documentation is not part of the motion. An amendment was proposed to delete the language, “prepare corrective recommendations for the administration to consider.” The amendment was adopted. A second amendment was proposed to change the language from “take the issue of declining tenure track faculty to heart” to “hold discussions now related to faculty and staff hiring.” The amendment was adopted. A third amendment was proposed to add contract professional to the language “faculty, contract professional and staff.” The amendment was adopted. A vote was taken to adopt the following proposed motion as amended:

“The University Council, in advance of the imminent Higher Learning Commission accreditation visit, approves holding discussions related to faculty, contract professional and staff hiring. The UC Steering Committee is to implement this motion.”

The motion carried.