

# University Council

MINUTES

JUNE 12, 2018

3 – 4:10 PM

LEIGH HALL 208

MEETING CALLED BY	Harvey Sterns, chair	
TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly Meeting	
PRESIDER	Harvey Sterns, chair	
NOTE TAKER	Kim Haverkamp	
ATTENDEES	<p><b>Member:</b> Andrew Adolph, Philip Allen, Linda Barrett, Michelle Byrne, Julie Cajigas, Jeanette Carson, Jared Coleman, Elizabeth Erickson, Tonia Ferrell, John Green, Brittany Hartman, Marjorie Hartleben, Nancy Homa, Lynn Lucas, Chand Midha, Mike Nelson, Ruth Nine-Duff, Rex Ramsier, Néna Roy, Linda Saliga, Harvey Sterns</p> <p><b>Absent with notice:</b> Taylor Bennington, Brittany Hartman, Kristine Kraft, Shiva Sastry  <b>Absent without notice:</b> Linda Saliga, Marca Selway-Kaplar</p> <p><b>Other attendees:</b> Roland Bauer, Olivia Demas, Wayne Hill, Sarah Kelly, Willy Kollman, Jolene Lane, John Messina, Joe Minocchi, Nathan Mortimer, Michele Novachek, John Reilly, Zak Steiner, Bill Viau, Barbara Weinzierl, Peggy Walchalk, Joette Dignan Weir</p>	
Agenda topics:		
3:00 – 3:05	CALL TO ORDER	HARVEY STERNS
DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The chair called the meeting to order and asked for additions to the agenda. There being none, the agenda was approved as distributed by unanimous consent.</li> <li>2. The chair asked for additions or corrections to the May 1 University Council minutes. There being none, the minutes were approved as distributed by unanimous consent.</li> </ol>	
3:05 – 3:10	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT	HARVEY STERNS
DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The chair reviewed the attached <a href="#">May 8 UC Executive Committee minutes</a>.</li> <li>2. The chair reviewed the attached revisions to <a href="#">Board Rule 3359-1-05</a>. The proposed revisions were made in coordination with Faculty Senate and Akron AAUP. The UC Executive Committee made a motion to support the proposed revisions.  <b>The motion carried</b> by a secret ballot vote of 17 in favor and 0 opposed.</li> </ol>	
3:10 – 3:15	PROVOST'S REMARKS	REX RAMSIER
DISCUSSION	<p>The following was discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• President Green is in Columbus regarding the University of Akron's Economic Impact Study that was released today</li> <li>• The Provost Update will be sent out this week and it contains the Office of Academic Affairs reports to the Board of Trustees</li> <li>• There are nine new full-time faculty hires for fall 2018; discussions have been completed with the Deans for Fall 2019 positions</li> <li>• December commencement ceremonies will take place at EJ Thomas Hall on December 15 at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We are considering moving to one undergraduate/graduate commencement ceremony in May 2019 at InfoCision Stadium-Summa Field</li> <li>• New Student Convocation will take place on August 24</li> </ul>
3:15 – 4:00	<p style="text-align: center;">BUDGET AND FINANCE IN-DEPTH STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT</p> <p style="text-align: right;">PHIL ALLEN AND NATHAN MORTIMER</p>
DISCUSSION	<p>Phil Allen, Vice Chair, and Nathan Mortimer, VP for Finance and Administration/CFO discussed the following FY19 budget documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Akron and Wayne General Fund Combined</a> – The General Fund pays the general obligations of the University, including salaries, and is the strength of the university <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Tuition &amp; General Service Fees – predicted a 7% decline in enrollment overall</li> <li>○ Vacancies savings – we are slow playing our hiring and eliminating vacant positions</li> <li>○ Bad debt – what we bill and don't collect</li> <li>○ Scholarships – internally funded scholarships; does not include fee remissions, athletic scholarships or graduate student stipends</li> <li>○ Transfer-In Plant Fund – supplements what we receive from the State</li> <li>○ Advances – temporary loans that will be paid back; new line item added to the General Fund balance sheet</li> <li>○ Transfer-Out Other – auxiliary debt, EAF, Health Center and other support</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <a href="#">Akron and Wayne Combined Auxiliaries</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Department Sales and Services</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Self-Insurance Fund – We went to self-insurance health care from premium-paid health care last year; this should generate a surplus</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>The Budget and Finance Committee endorsed the proposed FY19 budget and they recommend that the UC endorse the proposed budget. They made their recommendation with the understanding that the budget process would lead to strategic planning in the future. <b>The motion to endorse carried</b> by a secret ballot vote of 12 in favor and 2 opposed.</p>
4:00 – 4:10	<p style="text-align: center;">COMMITTEE REPORTS</p> <p style="text-align: right;">COMMITTEE CHAIRS</p>
DISCUSSION	<p><b>Communications:</b> They are working on the food insecurity study and will discuss the results with the UC at an upcoming meeting.</p> <p><b>Informational Technology:</b> The Microsoft agreement has been finalized and is on the consent agenda for the Board of Trustees. Having the agreement in place will allow the committee to move forward with their goals.</p> <p><b>Institutional Advancement:</b> They met with Mary Schadle, Coordinator of University Scholarship Programs, and are continuing to work on the scholarship tool kit.</p> <p><b>Physical Environment:</b> They discussed the Polsky Building Study Area Topic Submission and determined that the space suggested would require renovations and is a fire hazard. They approved space allocation forms for IT equipment rooms in Olin Hall and Mary Gladwin Hall.</p> <p><b>Recreation and Wellness:</b> No report.</p> <p><b>Student Engagement and Success:</b> They sent responses to UCEC for the Retention of At Risk Students Topic Submission and the Services for LGBTQ Population Topic Submission.</p>

	<p><b>Talent Development and Human Resources:</b> They are working on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ideas to reward employees for improving their health</li> <li>• Leave bank policy that President Wilson referred to the Office of Talent Development and Human Resources; committee expects a policy to be available by end of summer</li> <li>• Workplace bullying and harassment policy</li> <li>• Reported that there had been no response for the CPAC and SEAC request for a timeline concerning salary increases</li> </ul> <p><b>Ad hoc Awards Committee:</b> They are working on a resolution to formalize the award process.</p> <p><b>Ad hoc Human Development Committee:</b> They are discussing the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning for future events that would focus on adult and older adult students.</li> <li>• Activities related to the Age Friendly University Initiative</li> <li>• Life-Planning Seminars for individuals exploring new careers and education; this could be a joint project between Adult Focus and Institute for Life-Space Development and Gerontology</li> </ul> <p><b>Ad hoc Textbook Committee:</b> They are discussing the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ways to provide textbook at affordable prices</li> <li>• How to plan for the expiration of the Barnes and Nobel contract</li> </ul> <p>UA Libraries is hosting the Affordable Learning Summit on August 1 – 2, 2018. The Summit is co-sponsored by OhioLink and the Academic Library Association of Ohio. More information is available at <a href="http://affordablelearning.ohiolink.edu/summit">http://affordablelearning.ohiolink.edu/summit</a>.</p>
4:10 – 4:10	<p style="text-align: center;">NEW BUSINESS</p> <p style="text-align: right;">HARVEY STERNS</p>
DISCUSSION	<p>There were none at this time.</p> <p>The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m. by unanimous consent.</p>