# University Council

## MINUTES         MAY 7, 2019         3 – 4:10 PM         STUDENT UNION 312

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| **MEETING CALLED BY** | Phil Allen, chair |
| **TYPE OF MEETING** | Monthly Meeting |
| **PRESIDER** | Phil Allen, chair |
| **NOTE TAKER** | Kim Haverkamp |
| **ATTENDEES** | **Member:** Philip Allen, Linda Barrett, Ann Bruno, Jeanette Carson, Katie Cerrone, Ed Evans, Tonia Ferrell, John Green, Marjorie Hartleben, Brittany Hartman, Kristine Kraft, Paul Levy, Mary Jo MacCracken, Allen Mathis, Chand Midha, Kris Nakoneczny, Ruth Nine-Duff, Mark Okocha, Linda Saliga, Isaiah Smith, Julia Spiker, Harvey Sterns, Shawn Stevens<br><br>**Absent with notice:** Julie Cajigas, Alec Gerred<br>**Absent without notice:** Hailey Cargill<br><br>**Other attendees:** Andrew Adolph, Aimee deChambeau, Wayne Hill, Jolene Lane, John MacDonald, John Messina, John Reilly |

## Agenda topics:

### 3:00 – 3:05         CALL TO ORDER         PHIL ALLEN

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| **DISCUSSION** | 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.<br><br>2. The chair asked for additions or corrections to the April 9 University Council minutes. The minutes were approved as distributed by unanimous consent. |

### 3:05 – 3:10         CHAIR'S REMARKS         PHIL ALLEN

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| **DISCUSSION** | 1. The Chair welcomed Dr. Midah to University Council and the UC Executive Committee in his new role as the Chief Academic Officer.<br><br>2. There will be a UC Special Meeting on May 28 from 3 – 4:30 p.m. to vote on endorsement of the FY20 budget before it goes to the BOT. The Budget and Finance committee is working to get the budget documents to UC members 2-5 days before the special meeting. |

### 3:10 – 3:17         EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT         PHIL ALLEN

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| **DISCUSSION** | 1. The University's shared governance bodies have been asked to nominate two people each to assist in efforts related to student enrollment, retention and graduation. UC will nominate the following people:<br>• Stephanie Kiba (CPAC)<br>• Ruth Nine-Duff (UCEC, SEAC)<br>• Marjorie Hartleben (UCEC, SEAC) - alternate |

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| | 2. The University's shared governance bodies have been asked to nominate two people each to consider adopting a free speech policy similar to the University of Chicago policy.  UC will nominate the following people:<br>• Tonia Ferrell (UCEC, CPAC)<br>• Phil Allen (UCEC, FS) |

| 3:17 – 3:27 | PRESIDENT'S REMARKS | JOHN GREEN |
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| **DISCUSSION** | President Green read and discussed the attached resolution pertaining to the position of Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer.<br><br>The following were discussed:<br>• The history of the creation of the EVP/Chief Academic Officer and EVP Chief Administrative Officer positions under Former President Matt Wilson<br>• Chand Midha is the Interim EVP/Chief Academic Officer<br>• Rex Ramsier is the EVP/Chief Administrative Officer<br>• The Board of Trustees discontinued the title Senior Vice President and Provost<br>• The Board of Trustees will conduct a national search for EVP/Chief Academic Officer after the Presidential search is completed | |

| 3:27 – 3:37 | CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER REMARKS | CHAND MIDHA |
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| **DISCUSSION** | Dr. Midha is honored and thankful to President Green and the Board of Trustees for the opportunity to serve as Interim Executive Vice President/Chief Academic Officer. Dr. Midha will assist the president and the board with operationalizing the duties and responsibilities of the new position.  Joe Wilder will provide assistance as the Interim Associate Academic Officer.<br><br>The following were discussed;<br>• Linda Subich and Jarrod Tudor have been appointed to the Task Force on student retention; Jolene Lane will serve as the alternate<br>• Fall enrollment is down compared to the same time last year; CAO Midha is working with the Deans and Department Chairs to determine the reasons for the decline<br>• 2,669 degrees will be awarded at Spring Commencement | |

| 3:25 – 4:03 | RECREATION AND WELLNESS<br>IN-DEPTH STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT | JOHN MACDONALD<br>AND KRIS KRAFT |
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| **DISCUSSION** | John MacDonald, administrator, and Kris Kraft, chair, presented the attached PowerPoint about committee goals and the following were discussed:<br>• Campus Cupboards<br>   o They are utilized on a daily basis<br>   o Thank you to USG for providing additional food funding<br>• Immunizations<br>• Measles Outbreak<br>• Campus Wellness<br><br>The Campus Wellness Website, www.uakron.edu/wellness, has been revised and includes both campus and community resources. | |

| | The following suggestions were made: |
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| | • Create a campus wide communication to request donations to the campus cupboards |
| | • Rename the "Emotional Wellness" section of the Campus Wellness Website because the title is too narrow |

| 4:30 – 4:10 | COMMITTEE REPORTS | COMMITTEE CHAIRS |
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| DISCUSSION | **Budget and Finance:** The FY20 budget will be discussed at the May 28 UC Special Meeting.<br><br>**Communications:** No report.<br><br>**Information Technology** – No report.<br><br>**Institutional Advancement:** They are continuing to work on the Brightspace scholarship tool kit. Sarah Chapman, director of Treasury Services, was a guest speaker at a committee meeting.<br><br>**Physical Environment:** The data collection for pedestrian crosswalks was sent to the City of Akron and the Traffic Engineer was receptive to our suggestions. You will see minor changes in Fall 2019.<br><br>They approved two space allocation forms:<br>1. Repurpose space in School of Art from an office to a machine shop<br>2. Repurpose space in Polymer Engineering from an office to an IT equipment room<br><br>**Student Engagement and Success:** They will work with the new Task Force on student retention.<br><br>**Talent Development and Human Resources:** They submitted to the UC Executive Committee a response to the Tuition Remission for Professional Development Courses topic submission.<br><br>**Ad hoc Awards Committee:** The Achievement Awards were presented at the Founder's Day luncheon on May 3.<br><br>**Ad hoc Human Development Committee:** There will be a press conference on May 23 to kick-off the WHO AARP Network of Age Friendly Cities and Communities. UA's Age Friendly University designation and the 60+ program will be highlighted. The committee will further refine their activities after the press conference.<br><br>**Ad hoc Textbook Committee:** The committee will present a special update at the June 11 UC meeting. |

| 4:10 – 4:10 | NEW BUSINESS | PHIL ALLEN |
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| DISCUSSION | Chair Allen congratulated the UC members graduating at Spring Commencement.<br><br>The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m. by unanimous consent. |