

University Council

MINUTES

MARCH 10, 2020

3 – 3:40 PM

LEIGH HALL 214

MEETING CALLED BY	Ruth Nine-Duff, chair	
TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly Meeting	
PRESIDER	Ruth Nine-Duff, chair	
NOTE TAKER	Kim Haverkamp	
ATTENDEES	<p>Member: Phil Allen, Arnob Banik, Linda Barrett, Jared Brown, Ann Bruno, Jeanette Carson, Katie Cerrone, Tonia Ferrell, Rachel Keay-McVay, Paul Levy, Mary Jo MacCracken, Gary Miller, Kris Nakoneczny, Ruth Nine-Duff, Mark Okocha, Linda Saliga, Shiva Sastry, Tiffany Schmidt, Isaiah Smith, Julia Spiker, Amanda Stefin, Shawn Stevens, Joe Urgo</p> <p>Absent with notice: Kristine Kraft, Marjorie Hartleben, Dane Quinn Absent without notice: Ed Evans, Brittany Hartman</p> <p>Other attendees: Andrew Adolph, Morgan Booker, Natalie Bronning, Kim Cole, Celeste Cook, Josie Cremeans, Aimee deChambeau, Olivia Demas, Mike DeMoss, Mike Dowling, Kevin Feezel, James Garcher, Morgan Hamuscin, Skylar Harberman, Wayne Hill, Greg Hustak, Grace Kasunic, Jolene Lane, Austin Marsh, Grant McConnell, Melanie McGuir, John Messina, Jasmin Mireiez, Brandon Mohan, Jonah Pickette, Nichole Santangelo, Andrew Shotts, Emily Starken, Steve Staub, Harvey Sterns, Jacob Stump, Ben Swanson, Veronica Tomasko, KaJuane Weeden, Joette Dignan Weir</p>	
Agenda topics:		
3:00 – 3:05	CALL TO ORDER	RUTH NINE-DUFF
DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The chair called the meeting to order and asked for additions or revisions 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 Jan. 14 University Council minutes. There being none, the minutes were approved as distributed by unanimous consent. 	
3:05 – 3:10	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT	RUTH NINE DUFF
DISCUSSION	The chair reviewed the attached February 25 UC Executive Committee minutes .	
3:10 – 3:25	PRESIDENT'S REMARKS	GARY MILLER
DISCUSSION	<p>President Miller discussed the following announcement that was sent to the campus community:</p> <p>In keeping with advice and recommendations regarding COVID-19 from Governor DeWine and health officials to avoid large numbers of people interacting in close proximity to one another, The University of Akron is stopping face-to-face instruction effective at 5:00 PM today.</p>	

	<p>No classes will be held the rest of this week or next week to allow faculty time to develop their plans for migrating their courses to on-line instruction when the University returns from spring break on March 30.</p> <p>In addition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large events are canceled through April 20 • Residence halls will remain open • Food service will continue on campus and student services will remain open • Faculty are expected to come to campus to prepare for online instruction • Staff and contract professionals are expected to come to campus and continue normal operations • Anyone who has traveled abroad or to areas of the U.S. with a significant COVID-19 outbreak is asked to notify University Health Services • Travelers returning from Level 3 warning countries are required to observe a 14-day period of self-quarantine and monitoring • We are prepared to quarantine at all levels, if necessary • We will use Digest, Zipmail and social media to communicate updates <p>A 24-hour call center has been established: 1-800-250-8993. Hours will be adjusted according to call volume.</p> <p>Design and Development Services will offer open labs and seminars to help faculty move instruction online. More information will be available in the Digest.</p>
3:25 – 3:25	<p>GUEST SPEAKER</p> <p style="text-align: right;">JOHN CORBY</p>
DISCUSSION	<p>Kelly Kulich and Jessica DeFago, Office of Accessibility, will reschedule their presentation.</p>
3:25 – 3:25	<p>TALENT DEVELOPMENT AND HR IN-DEPTH REPORT</p> <p style="text-align: right;">MARY JO MACCRACKEN</p>
DISCUSSION	<p>Attached is the Talent Development and HR Committee presentation. The presentation was not discussed at the meeting.</p>
3:25 – 3:40	<p>COMMITTEE REPORTS</p> <p style="text-align: right;">RUTH NINE-DUFF</p>
DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The attached February and March committee reports were submitted for UC review prior to the meeting. 2. Budget and Finance Committee: Shiva Sastry, chair, presented the attached resolution regarding suspension of the research policy for externally funded proposal submissions that went into effect on January 1, 2019. The motion to suspend carried by a secret ballot vote of 16 in favor and 1 opposed. 3. Information Technology Committee: Linda Barrett, chair, presented the attached resolution regarding a new, upgraded cloud-based Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) software. The motion to endorse carried by a secret ballot vote with unanimous consent.
3:40 – 3:40	<p>NEW BUSINESS</p> <p style="text-align: right;">RUTH NINE-DUFF</p>
DISCUSSION	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m. by unanimous consent.</p>