

University Council

MINUTES

DECEMBER 13, 2022

3:01-4:13 PM

TEAMS

MEETING CALLED BY	Tonia Ferrell, chair
TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly Meeting
PRESIDER	Tonia Ferrell, chair
NOTE TAKER	Heather Loughney
ATTENDEES	<p>Member: Jeanette Carson, Kim Cole, Ed Evans, Tammy Ewin, Tonia Ferrell, Max Fightmaster, James Garchar, Sarah Kelly, Kris Kraft, Tim McCarragher, Nate Meeker, John Messina, Steven L. Myers, Michele Novachek, John Reilly, Linda Saliga, Heather Walter, Nick Weber, John Wiencek</p> <p>Absent with notice: John Corby, Matthew Dowd, Marjorie Hartleben, Gary Miller, Robert Peralta, Sherry Simms, Ben Swanson</p> <p>Absent without notice: Zack Azzam, Miranda Brainard, Dallas Grundy, Dylan Leipold, Mai Lor, John Nicholas, Shawn Stevens, Eric Veigel</p> <p>Other attendees: Michele Banis, Suzanne Bausch, Jill Bautista, Katie Cerrone, Marie Celeste Cook, Aimee DeChambeau, Kelli Fetter, Charles Guthrie, John Huss, Judith Juvancic-Heltzel, Wendy Lampner, Paul Levy, Stephen McKellips, LeJeune March, Christine Mayer, R.J. Nemer, Terrie Sampson, Varunee Faii Sangganjanavanich, Christin Seher, Michelle Smith, Patrick Tabatcher, Sonya Wagner, Tom Waltermire, Jessica Whitehill, Jermel Wilkerson, Matt Williams, Tami Zupkow Hannon</p>
Agenda topics:	
	<p style="text-align: center;">CALL TO ORDER TONIA FERRELL</p>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The chair called the meeting to order at 3:01 pm. 2. The agenda for the meeting was approved without dissent. 3. The minutes of the November 8, 2022 UC meeting were approved without dissent.
	<p style="text-align: center;">EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT TONIA FERRELL</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UCEC met 11/29, EC met 11/29, reviewed topic submissions, sent Bus Service to Fir Hill topic to Parking. Reviewed responses from TS Env Health went to provost, who met with Eric Green for update. Working to hire more workers. Parking for student employees to unload – Jared responded with loading areas locations. Exchange street deck name – forward to Parking for name change to approve by BOT. ASB issues – Physical Environment Committee response was work being done and move out of building is being planned. • UC procedural manual – Heather and Kris meeting and working on it. • Guest Speakers – added HR to January to talk about Job Study.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved agenda for December UC meeting and meeting plans for spring, debrief - on November 8 meeting, continuing in Teams with in-person in April. Plan for summer after spring. • Discussed definition from Carnegie. • Bylaws – name change for Recreation and Wellness committee, change to Campus Wellness. Approved by UC by vote: 16 yes, 0 no. • Carnegie Definition of Community Engagement – approved by UC by vote: 15 yes, 0 no.
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PROVOST’S REMARKS

	<p>The provost began his remarks by wishing everyone a happy holiday. He welcomed the two Board of Trustee members in attendance: Christine Meyer and Tom Waltermire.</p> <p>The provost shared that the final two open positions had been filled, he was very happy to announce that the leadership is now stabilized with all VP and dean positions now filled. Gwen Price has accepted the position of senior vice provost in the Office of Academic Affairs and Daniel Friesner named dean of the College of Health and Human Sciences. He expressed his thanks to Tim McCarragher for his work as interim dean the past few years as well as chairing the search committee. In addition, the new director of the School of Nursing, Tim Meyers, has been hired. Thank you to everyone who has served on the numerous search committees over the past two years.</p> <p>The strategic plan is now in year two of a two-year plan, so the next plan is beginning to be formed and UPG has specific ideas around promises to ourselves and our community and those will continue to serve as our guide. The framework for setting goals and metrics, AKRs and aspirations.</p> <p>Enrollment – reviewed with BOT, set aggressive targets and noticed that our applications were down about 20% in early September, have done some interventions and gotten names of students and moving them through our network, still seeing a small decline year over year. Encourage everyone to talk to students you know and ask them to come to campus for a tour. The tour makes the difference. Whatever you can do to help.</p> <p>There were no questions for the provost, but two UC members shared that they have engaged with students who want to return to UA after unsatisfactory experiences at other schools. It was also shared that UA is the safest school in the MAC and that the messaging on the safety of the campus needs work.</p>
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PRESENTATION – JILL BAUTISTA AND MATT WILLIAMS – COMPLIANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT

	<p>Jill and Matt shared their presentation link</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training can be accessed now and completed any time before March 13, 2023. • A badging system has been set up to show a person when they have completed a training as well as saving where they stopped.
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PRESENTATION – R.J. NEMER – DEAN, COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

	<p>Dean Nemer shared his presentation link</p> <p>Questions: You've got a tremendous resource in the Business community in the area, what ideas/ambitions do you have?</p> <p>Nemer – robust advancement councils, while they are a great group, no vetting for why they are on the council. Will work with leaders on council to identify how we can put people in groupings based on why they wanted to be on council, and who else they can bring into that group. Starting with advancement council and going forward from that. Have a lot of contacts of my own that I am tapping. Pulling from greater NE Ohio area for us.</p> <p>The concept of helping colleges figure out how to structure their advancement councils and purpose, guessing there is a need across campus for that. Is there an opportunity to have workshops for all the colleges to figure out how to structure their councils?</p> <p>Nemer – laid out architecture from faculty when I came, had sections created and names of who would do it, looking at their framework and how to incorporate it into my advancement council. I am reaching out to those who have gone silent on our council. That's what I'm working on currently. Happy to share this architecture offline with any colleagues who could use it. Internship heavy in our college, but you might find it useful.</p>
STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS TONIA FERRELL	
	<p>The chair reminded everyone that committee goals are past due.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical Environment – UA passed safety assessment. Safety walk was held in November and will do another in January, it is usually 35-45 minutes and will be checking lights and looking at campus. Anyone is invited to attend. Buckingham Building – the Gallery is about to open up again. Crouse/Ayer – windows are in and think the building will be done in February. Chick Fil A will be closing for the summer for renovations. Akron Children's Hospital is building a children's sport medicine clinic in the Fieldhouse. The Odd Corner building on Exchange has been purchased by UA and will be demolished. The wrong turf was installed at Infocision Stadium and will be replaced. The camera project is ongoing and we are at 92% now, HD cameras are being installed all over campus, parking decks and corners. This will provide an extra layer of protection. Reminder that this summer the City of Akron will begin the work on replacing the water main running through the center of campus. The chair thanked the committee for all their work • Information Technology – met and discussed their AKR. Finalizing that and what our goals will be for the year. Focus on promoting and developing campus wide communication best practices. Trying to understand the various forms of communication on campus.
CONSTITUENCY REPORTS TONIA FERRELL	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GSG – no report.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USG – thank you for a great semester. Last month during the safety walk we did Carroll Street parking deck, route for next walk will be published on our social media soon. Have allocated 50,000 dollars to student events and planning, book scholarships and engaged with over 1,000 students. Looking forward to spring. • CPAC – met November 28 with the EC and President Miller. Discussion on how CPAC affects campus. Heard from Dallas Grundy on finances and compensation for CPAC members. Putting together a development, social and first year committee. • SEAC – bylaws will be forwarded soon. Held a meet and greet with bargaining unit staff that are coming into SEAC. • Faculty Senate – thanks to efforts of AAUP and several faculty on campus we hosted a day with faculty with BOT Chair Gingo, reports were that it was a great day and will be doing the event again with other board members. • Chairs – no report. • Deans – working with deans/directors to nominate faculty for MAC Outstanding Faculty Award , one rep from UA for MAC. This is due in January. Thank you to faculty/staff on getting grades submitted. Thank you for UC and Senate and all the work of those bodies.
NEW BUSINESS	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
GOOD OF THE ORDER	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting was adjourned at 4:13 pm.