

University Council

MINUTES

AUGUST 8, 2017

3 – 4:30 PM

LEIGH HALL 214

MEETING CALLED BY	Ruth Nine-Duff, vice chair	
TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly Meeting	
PRESIDER	Ruth Nine-Duff, vice chair	
NOTE TAKER	Kim Haverkamp	
ATTENDEES	<p>Member: Philip Allen, Taylor Bennington, Michelle Byrne, Julie Cajigas, Jeanette Carson, Jared Coleman, Elizabeth Erickson, Tonia Ferrell, Kristen Giaquinto, Diane Gorse, Marjorie Hartleben, Katherine Holcomb, Nancy Homa, Kristine Kraft, Lynn Lucas, Chand Midha, Mike Nelson, Ruth Nine-Duff, Rex Ramsier, Néna Roy, Linda Saliga, Shiva Sastry</p> <p>Absent with notice: Linda Barrett, Harvey Sterns, Trent Weigand, Matt Wilson</p> <p>Other attendees: Celeste Cook, Jolene Lane, John MacDonald, Nathan Mortimer, Steve Myers, William Scala, Bill Viau, Joette Weir</p>	
Agenda topics:		
3:00 – 3:05	CALL TO ORDER	RUTH NINE-DUFF
DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The vice chair called the meeting to order. She asked for additions 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 July 11 UC minutes. There being none, the agenda was approved as distributed by unanimous consent. 	
3:05 – 3:10	STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT	RUTH NINE-DUFF
DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The vice chair reviewed the attached July 18 UC Steering Committee minutes. 2. A Goal Alignment Workshop has been scheduled for Wed., Sept. 6, 3 – 4 p.m. Lakeesha Ransom will lead the workshop. 	
3:10 – 3:15	ACTION ITEMS	RUTH NINE-DUFF
DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Physical Environment Committee reviewed and approved the Space Allocation Form to use the inactive space on the 3rd floor of InfoCision Stadium for the Lebron James Family Foundation Suite. It will be funded by donations. The motion for approval carried by a secret ballot vote of 19 in favor and 1 opposed. 2. The Physical Environment Committee reviewed and approved the Space Allocation Form to use Quaker Square 148A currently assigned to Aramark for a POD location. The POD locations at Quaker Square and Spicer Residence Hall will be funded by Aramark. The motion for approval carried by a secret ballot vote of 19 in favor and 0 opposed. 	

3:15 – 3:33

PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
IN-DEPTH STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

STEVE MYERS

DISCUSSION

Steve Myers, appointed administrator, presented the attached [Capital Projects Update](#).

The following items were discussed:

- 2017/2018 Capital Request
- Capital project construction updates
- Miscellaneous projects
- 2019/2020 Biennium Capital Request

The Law School renovation is complete.

3:33 – 3:46

PROVOST'S REMARKS

REX RAMSIER

DISCUSSION

The following was discussed:

- We received the final action letter from the HLC. The Institutional Actions Council (IAC) accepted the site visit team's report and will require the following interim reports on Dec. 31, 2018:
 - Program review
 - Evidence of financial stability and a long-term financial plan for funding maintenance and repair of facilities
 - Shared governance and communication
- There will be a program review of all programs this fall. We will use a faculty-driven process. The goal is to strategically shape the future of the University.
- The enrollment prediction was -5% and we are at -4%.
- The idea of a four-day academic calendar is being discussed as a strategy to improve attractiveness to students. Ruth Nine-Duff (UC) and Bill Rich (FS) are on the committee. The committee will look at data, conduct focus groups and seek feedback before decisions are made.

A suggestion was made to make text books more affordable to students by using the same book for multiple semesters and/or utilize electronic and digital solutions in the classroom. The suggestion will be forwarded to the UC ad hoc Textbook Committee.

3:46 – 3:52

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

STANDING COMMITTEE
CHAIRS

DISCUSSION

Budget and Finance discussed the following:

- Potential for a tuition increase – a proposal did not go forward
- Scoreboard replacement at the JAR
- Potential changes to the travel policy

Communications is working on the following:

- Food insecurity survey (with Recreation and Wellness Committee)
- Ways to improve communication of important information to students (with Student Engagement and Success Committee)

Information Technology: No Report.

Institutional Advancement is reviewing the data from colleges regarding the process for handling scholarships.

	<p>Student Engagement and Success elected new officers and is working on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ways to improve communication of important information to students (with Communications Committee) • Using Springboard as a way to communicate with students (with Design and Development Services) • Using “Class Roster Verification” to identify and help students with attendance issues • Identifying goals for 2017-18 <p>A suggestion was made to require all students to watch a Springboard training video so they understand how it works.</p> <p>Recreation and Wellness is working on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food insecurity survey (with Communications Committee) • Identifying goals for 2017-18 • Officer elections <p>Talent Development and Human Resources is working on identifying goals for 2017-18.</p> <p>Julie Cajigas asked when the ad hoc Awards Committee will meet.</p>	
3:52 – 3:56	NEW BUSINESS	RUTH NINE-DUFF
DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jolene Lane, VP Inclusion & Equity/Chief Diversity Officer, announced that this is the 10th anniversary of the Black Male Summit. It will be held on September 29 – 30. Information is available at www.uakron.edu/bms. 2. Signs for no smoking/no tobacco/no vaping are being installed on doors across campus. <p>The meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m. by unanimous consent.</p>	