

University Council Executive Committee

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 19, 2017 3 - 4 PM

LEIGH HALL 413

MEETING CALLED BY	Harvey Sterns, chair	
TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly Meeting	
PRESIDER	Harvey Sterns, chair	
NOTE TAKER	Tonia Ferrell, secretary	
ATTENDEES	<p>Attendees: Taylor Bennington, Jeanette Carson, Tonia Ferrell, Kristen Giaquinto, Ruth Nine-Duff, Rex Ramsier, Néna Roy, Harvey Sterns</p> <p>Absent with notice: Marjorie Hartleben</p> <p>Absent without notice: None</p> <p>Others present: None</p>	
Agenda topics:		
3:00 – 3:05	CALL TO ORDER	HARVEY STERNS
DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The chair called the meeting to order. He asked for additions to the agenda. Added ITL discussions to the agenda under New Business. The agenda was approved as amended by unanimous consent. The chair asked for additions or correction to the August 15 Executive Committee minutes. There being none, the minutes were approved as distributed by unanimous consent. 	
3:05 – 3:10	UNFINISHED BUSINESS	HARVEY STERNS
DISCUSSION	<p>Campus Communication</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Tonia Ferrell, secretary, received draft around 2 pm today and didn't have time to submit to the UCEC for review before the meeting. She will distribute it to the committee via email to receive feedback and provide final version to UCM for Digest submission. 	
3:10 – 3:25	TOPIC SUBMISSIONS	HARVEY STERNS
DISCUSSION	<p>Revisit Sick Leave Policy Proposal</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> First attempt to create a sick leave bank in 2014 was not successful. Attorney General of State of Ohio said it was not an option by state law. However, other schools in Ohio were doing this at the time. Seems they were asked to shutter their programs after UA's request to AG. However, the new state budget allows for Ohio universities to create a sick leave bank. This topic should be referred to Talent Development and Human Resources to bring forth a proposal to the UC for a vote. 	

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. TDHR committee will need the current policy from State of Ohio for review. 5. Some items for TDHR to consider: What problem are we trying to solve? How many employees at UA have an issue with needing additional sick leave each year? 6. UA has operated on a case-by-case basis in the past and has helped employees who need additional assistance with sick leave. <p>Akron Club Sports Field</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Club sports are not getting preference for Shrank Field time versus Hoban sports. The question was raised if Hoban using field is a revenue generator. Even if yes, they should not take priority over UA club sports who have the time scheduled. 2. UGS provides \$40,000 per year for all club sports for travel. Rest of funding is provided through donations or students “pay for play.” 3. Refer topic to Physical Environment for review and the committee will ask Athletics to address the issue. Will provide proposal as needed to UC for a vote or information.
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3:25 – 4:00	NEW BUSINESS	HARVEY STERNS
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Discussion	<p>Joint committee regarding human development on campus (UC & FS)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are we doing about human development on campus? Discussed briefly at last UC meeting. We have many manifestations across campus and need student training grounds on campus. 2. A committee could address issue and plan/provide strategy in this arena. Chair and Provost are in agreement. We should look to revive this as a strength and multi-disciplinary effort. 3. Has to be a joint effort with Faculty Senate because of academic nature. 4. UCEC in agreement to form ad-hoc committee and have potential members self-select based on interest. <p>Implications of facilities planning</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do we want each facilities change approved by UC or UCEC? 2. UC is supposed to be a long-range planning body, not a body to approve changes. Where do we draw the line related to space? 3. First step – Physical Environment committee reviews request 4. Second step – If Physical Environment committee feels it should get a larger view/discussion bring to UCEC. 5. Third step – UCEC can refer to full UC discussion and potential vote. 6. Physical Environment committee, under chair Harvey Sterns, to develop a decision-making rubric and propose to UC. 7. Discussed other items related to facilities like Quaker Square and long range space/campus design and planning. <p>ITL (Institute for Teaching and Learning) 2.0</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Announced today the launch of a new ITL on campus to provide professional development and other services for faculty. Institutions need these services. 2. ITL will be frugal and lean. 3. Chair received email from Talent Development and Human Resources committee and they would like to re-establish the relationship with ITL and shared goals.
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Other Discussions Not Added to Agenda

1. The Return of Baseball and Addition of Women's Lacrosse

- a. The UCEC had brief discussions about the addition of new sports programs that were announced in today's Digest.
- b. Overall feeling is positive about the decision and the community goodwill has already been felt.
- c. Development plan is in place for fundraising.

The agenda for the October 10 UC meeting was approved by unanimous consent.

The meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m. by unanimous consent.