

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, October 5, 2016, 3 p.m.
Holmes Student Center Sky Room

[Full transcript](#)

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Arado, D. Baker, G. Baker, Bishop, Block, Boughton, Brubaker (for Olson), Carlson, Chakraborty, Chen, Chitwood, Chung, Cibrian, Cuautle, Dannenmaier, Doederlein, Elish-Piper, Farrell, Freeman, Ghrayeb, Haji-Sheikh, Hanley, Hathaway, Hoffman (for Bond), Jemison, Khoury, Kreis, LaGioia, Long, Love-Moore (for Reynolds), Macdonald, McCord, McChone-Chase, Mogren, Naples, Newman, Nicholson, Nobiling, Pavkov, Rajagopalan, Rodgers, Rosenbaum (for Riley), Russell, Saborio, Sto Domingo, Tan, Thu, Torres (for Barth), VanderSchee, Wang, Wilson, Wyzard, Zaucha

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Barth, Bond, Briscoe, Campbell, Kassel, Olson, Penrod, Reynolds, Riley, Staikidis

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan, Falkoff, Klaper, Martinez, Phillips, Stoddard, Weldy

OTHERS ABSENT: Coryell, Johns, Kaplan

I. CALL TO ORDER

President **D. Baker** called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

D. Boughton moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by **G. LaGioia**. Motion passed.

III. APPROVAL OF THE [MINUTES](#) OF THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2016 MEETING

S. Farrell moved to accept the minutes, seconded by **J. Love-Moore**. Motion passed.

IV. PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

For complete comments, see the [meeting transcript](#).

- A. [Ombudsperson Annual Report](#) per Bylaws, Article 20.1 – Sarah Klaper – Pages 3-16
[Presentation](#)

V. CONSENT AGENDA

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

For complete comments, see the [meeting transcript](#).

- A. Proposed amendment to NIU Bylaws, [Article 17.1](#), Athletic Board – Pages 17-20
SECOND READING – ACTION ITEM

T. Arado moved to approve the proposed amendment, seconded by **S. McHone-Chase**. Motion passed by the following vote: Yes-38, No-2, Abstain-10.

- B. Proposed amendment to NIU Bylaws, [Article 15.3.1.3\(B\)](#),
Academic Planning Council – Pages 21-22
SECOND READING – ACTION ITEM

S. Farrell moved to approve the proposed amendment, seconded by **H. Nicholson**. Motion passed by the following vote: Yes-49, No-0, Abstain-1.

- C. Program Prioritization update – Lisa Freeman, Provost

VII. NEW BUSINESS

For complete comments, see the [meeting transcript](#).

- A. Approval of [Proposed University Holidays for 2017](#) – Page 23 – **ACTION ITEM**

J. Love-Moore moved to approve the proposed university holidays for 2017, seconded by **V. Naples**. Motion passed by voice vote.

VIII. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

For complete comments, see the [meeting transcript](#).

- A. FAC to IBHE – Paul Stoddard – report
- B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – no report
Cathy Doederlein, Greg Long, Holly Nicholson,
Rebecca Shortridge, Kendall Thu, Leanne VandeCreek
- C. Academic Policy Committee – no report
- D. Resources, Space and Budget Committee – Sarah McHone-Chase, Chair – no report

- E. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – Therese Arado, Chair – report
 - 1. NIU Bylaws [Article 17.4](#), University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – Page 24
- F. University Affairs Committee – Linda Saborio, Chair – no report
- G. Student Association – Giuseppe LaGioia, President – report
- H. Operating Staff Council – Holly Nicholson, President – no report
- I. Supportive Professional Staff Council – Cathy Doederlein, President – no report

IX. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

X. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. [Minutes](#), Academic Planning Council
- B. [Minutes](#), Athletic Board
- C. [Minutes](#), Baccalaureate Council
- D. [Minutes](#), Board of Trustees
- E. [Minutes](#), Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
- F. [Minutes](#), Comm. on the Improvement of the Undergraduate Academic Experience
- G. [Minutes](#), General Education Committee
- H. [Minutes](#), Graduate Council
- I. [Minutes](#), Graduate Council Curriculum Committee
- J. [Minutes](#), Honors Committee
- K. [Minutes](#), Operating Staff Council
- L. [Minutes](#), Supportive Professional Staff Council
- M. [Minutes](#), University Assessment Panel
- N. [Minutes](#), University Benefits Committee
- O. [Minutes](#), Univ. Comm. on Advanced and Nonteaching Educator License Programs
- P. [Minutes](#), University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure
- Q. [Annual Report](#), Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
- R. [Annual Report](#), University Assessment Panel

XI. ADJOURNMENT

G. LaGioia moved to adjourn, seconded by an unidentified member. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.