MINUTES
University Council
Wednesday, April 28, 2021, 3 p.m.
Microsoft Teams Meeting
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois

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VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Collins, Royce


I. CALL TO ORDER

NIU President L. Freeman called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

II. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was verified.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

T. Arado moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by L. Garcia. Motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 31, 2021 MINUTES

T. Arado moved to approve the minutes, seconded by H. Nicholson. Motion passed.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. NIU PRESIDENT LISA FREEMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cyberbullying Policy Working Group recommendations
VII. ITEMS FOR UNIVERSITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

A. Recognition of University Council members who have completed their service

B. Budget report
   Provost Beth Ingram
   CFO Sarah Chinniah

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Student Grievance Annual Report per NIU Bylaws, Article 6.6 – Kendall Thu

   Two student grievances were submitted during the 2020-21 academic year. In each case, a Student Grievance Committee concluded its review process.

B. Proposed amendment to NIU Bylaws, Article 1.2, Terms of Office
   FIRST READING
   Holly Nicholson, Operating Staff Council representative to UC

C. Proposed amendment to NIU Bylaws
   Creation of new Article 12, Supportive Professional Staff Personnel Advisor and Operating Staff Personnel Advisor
   FIRST READING
   Holly Nicholson, Operating Staff Council representative to UC

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE – Linda Saborío – report

B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – report
   Natasha Johnson, Catherine Doederlein, Kendall Thu
   Katy Jaekel, Sarah Marsh, Greg Beyer

C. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – no report
   Therese Arado, Chair

D. Student Government Association – report
   Antonio Johnson, President
   Bradley Beyer, Speaker of the Senate

E. Operating Staff Council – Natasha Johnson, President – report

F. Supportive Professional Staff Council – Catherine Doederlein, President – report
XI. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Policy Library – Comment on Proposed Policies (right-hand column on web page)
B. Minutes, Academic Planning Council
C. Minutes, Athletic Board
D. Minutes, Baccalaureate Council
E. Minutes, Board of Trustees
F. Minutes, Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
G. Minutes, Comm. on the Improvement of the Undergraduate Academic Experience
H. Minutes, General Education Committee
I. Minutes, Graduate Council
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. UC 2021-22 dates: Sep 8, Oct 6, Nov 3, Dec 1, Feb 2, Mar 2, Apr 6, May 4

XII. ADJOURNMENT

T. Arado moved to adjourn, seconded by N. Johnson. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.