PUBLIC NOTICE AND AGENDA

University Council
Wednesday, February 1, 2023, 3 p.m.
Altgeld Hall 315
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

IV. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 30, 2022, MINUTES – Pages 3-4

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. NIU PRESIDENT LISA FREEMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

VII. ITEMS FOR UNIVERSITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

A. Introduction and Welcome
   George Middlemist, Chief Financial Officer

VIII. 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
   Felicia Bohanon, Holly Nicholson, Ismael Montana
   Katy Jaekel, Karen Whedbee, Brad Cripe

C. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – no report

D. Student Government Association – report
   Raaf Majeed, President
   Dallas Douglass, Speaker of the Senate

E. Operating Staff Council – Holly Nicholson, President – report

   1. What are some good strategies for advocacy for our constituents?
   2. What are some effective tactics for keeping our constituents informed?

F. Supportive Professional Staff Council – Felicia Bohanon, President – report
IX. 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 2022-23 dates: Feb 1, Mar 1, Apr 5, May 3

X. ADJOURNMENT
VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Beyer, Bohanon, Costello, Cripe, Douglass, Falkoff, Freeman, Garcia, Geller, Heckmann (for Cofer), Hulseberg, Ingram, Kassel, Majeed, Miguel (for Scheibe), Monteiro, Morgan, Nicholson, Olson, Pitney, Rogers, Srygler, Tatara, Vaughn, Walther

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Pietrowski, Scheibe, Simonson

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan, McEvoy, Montana, Reneau, Saborío

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

B. Pitney moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by W. Vaughn. Motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 2, 2022, MINUTES

B. Ingram moved to approve the minutes, seconded by M. Geller. Motion passed.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. NIU PRESIDENT LISA FREEMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

VII. ITEMS FOR UNIVERSITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

A. University Goals
   Lisa Freeman, NIU President
VIII. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

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

1. Does early college credit impact NIU’s general education program (i.e., lost revenue, programs being closed, etc.); and does early college credit impact students (i.e., creating equity, are students conceptually prepared)?

2. Is faculty/staff burnout an issue; and if yes, what impact does it have in the classroom and on faculty/staff retention?

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H. Morgan moved to adjourn, seconded by D. Douglass. Motion passed.
Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.