

PUBLIC NOTICE AND AGENDA

**University Council
Wednesday, March 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 FEBRUARY 1, 2023, MINUTES – Pages 3-4

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. NIU PRESIDENT LISA FREEMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

VII. ITEMS FOR UNIVERSITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

A. Mental Health as a Foundation for Student Success

Clint-Michael Reneau, Vice President for Student Affairs
Andrea Drott, Asst. Dir. for Student Wellness, Counseling and Consultation Services

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 Raaif Majeed, President Dallas Douglass, Speaker of the Senate

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

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: Mar 1, Apr 5, May 3
- R. Approved 2032-33 academic calendar – Page 5

X. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES

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VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Beyer, Costello, Cripe, Falkoff, Garcia, Geller, Hill (for Kassel), Hulseberg, Ingram, Jaekel, Majeed, Middlemist, Monteiro, Nicholson, Olson, Pietrowski, Reneau (for Freeman), Rogers, Simonson, Srygler, Tatara, Vaughn, Walther

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Bohanon, Douglass, Freeman, Kassel, Scheibe,

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan, McEvoy, Montana, Saborío

I. CALL TO ORDER

Executive Vice President and Provost B. Ingram called the meeting to order.

II. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was verified.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

H. Nicholson moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by **A. Rogers**. Motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 30, 2022, MINUTES

M. Pietrowski moved to approve the minutes, seconded by **W. Vaughn**. Motion passed.

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A. Introduction and Welcome
George Middlemist, Chief Financial Officer

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Raaif 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

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M. Geller moved to adjourn, seconded by **A. Rogers**. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2032-2033

FALL SEMESTER 2032		
August 16-20	Monday - Friday	Faculty meetings
August 23	Monday	Classes begin
September 6	Monday	Labor Day (university closed)
November 2	Tuesday	General Election (university closed)
November 24	Wednesday	Thanksgiving break begins (no classes on Wednesday)
November 29	Monday	Classes resume
December 4	Saturday	Classes end
December 6-11	Monday - Saturday	Final examinations
December 11	Saturday	Fall graduate commencement
December 12	Sunday	Fall undergraduate commencement
SPRING SEMESTER 2033		
January 10-14	Monday - Friday	Faculty meetings
January 17	Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday (university closed)
January 18	Tuesday	Classes begin
March 13-20	Sunday - Sunday	Spring recess
March 21	Monday	Classes resume
April 24	Sunday	Honors Day
May 5	Thursday	Classes end
May 6	Friday	Reading Day
May 7, 9-13	Saturday, Monday - Friday	Final examinations
May 13	Friday	Spring graduate commencement
May 14	Saturday	Spring undergraduate commencement
SUMMER SEMESTER 2033		
June 13	Monday	Classes begin
June 20	Monday	Juneteenth observed (university closed)
July 4	Monday	Independence Day (university closed)
August 7	Sunday	Summer session ends

Approved by Faculty Senate – February 22, 2023