MINUTES

University Council
Wednesday, April 3, 2024, 3 p.m.
Altgeld Hall 315
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois

Full transcript

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Beyer, Davis (for Richter), Elish-Piper, English, Falkoff, Freeman, Hartman, Howell, Martin, Monteiro, Morris, Myung, Nicholson, Njue, O’Grady, Phares, Pitney, Rogers (for Middlemist), Stoker, Sutcliffe, Walther, Ziarati

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Bohanon, Johnson, Larkin, Middlemist, Richter, Vaughn

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan, Creed, Kettering, Kruse, Perry, Reneau, Saborío, Sumner

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

IV. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 28, 2024, MINUTES

S. Stoker moved to approve the minutes, seconded by B. Pitney. Motion passed.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. NIU PRESIDENT LISA FREEMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Budget and Planning Update

VII. ITEMS FOR UNIVERSITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

A. Supreme Court Decision on Affirmative Action and its Impact on NIU
Bryan Perry, Vice President and General Counsel
VIII. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE – report
   Linda Saborío, NIU Representative to FAC-IBHE

B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – report
   Felicia Bohanon, Natasha Johnson, Ben Creed
   Larissa Garcia, Karen Whedbee, Brad Cripe

C. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – no report
   Marc Falkoff, Chair

D. Student Government Association – report
   Chris English, Deputy Speaker of the Senate
   Landon Larkin, SGA Treasurer

E. Operating Staff Council – report
   Natasha Johnson, OSC President
   Jay Monteiro, Tiffany Morris, Sara Richter, Holly Nicholson

F. Supportive Professional Staff Council – report
   Felicia Bohanon, SPSC President
   Tom O’Grady, Shannon Stoker, Christina Sutcliffe

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, Comm. on the Improvement of the Undergraduate Academic Experience
G. Minutes, General Education Committee
H. Minutes, Graduate Council
I. Minutes, Honors Committee
J. Minutes, Operating Staff Council
K. Minutes, Supportive Professional Staff Council
L. Minutes, University Assessment Panel
M. Minutes, University Benefits Committee
N. Minutes, Univ. Comm. on Advanced and Nonteaching Educator License Programs
O. Minutes, University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure
P. 2023-24 UC schedule: Sep 13, Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec 6, Jan 31, Feb 28, Apr 3, May 1

X. ADJOURNMENT

C. English moved to adjourn, seconded by J. Monteiro. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.