

# OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

Minutes, January 18, 2005

Roll: (Absentees underlined) Dr. Baker, Dr. Lippert, Mr. Green, Mr. Hunt, Dean Condeni, Dean Hilderbrand, Dean Manzer, Dean Farbrother, Dean Bryant, Dean Maris, Dean Crago, Rev. LaSala, Prof. Steele, Dr. Finn, Dr. Walter, Prof. Cohoe, Prof. Nutter, Dr. Morrison, Dr. Sadurski, Dr. M. Govekar, Dr. Zekany, Dr. Reza, Dr. Yoder, Dr. Hill, Dr. Gerber, Dr. Hrometz, Dr. Allison, Dr. Kinder, Dr. Putt, Dr. Streib, Dr. Broedel-Zaugg, Dr. Lomax, Mr. Hosek, Mr. Block, Prof. Canagaratna

Chair, Indra Canagaratna called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

I. MINUTES: Minutes December 7, 2004 were approved as submitted.

II. REPORTS from CONSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEES:

- A. Budget and Appropriations: The committee is meeting January 19<sup>th</sup>.
- B. Academic Affairs: No Report.
- C. Student Activities: No Report.
- D. Personnel: The committee is reviewing the section of the Faculty Handbook concerning promotion. The purpose of the review is to clarify the language in the section.

III. REPORTS from OPERATIONAL COMMITTEES

- A. Athletics: No Report.
- B. Information Technology: George Gulbis will be meeting with a group of students to discuss strategies to deal with issues regarding digital music files, etc.
- C. Cultural & Special Events: No Report.
- D. International Affairs: A waiver and release form has been approved for students taking part in international programs.
- E. Religious Affairs: For the next two weeks, Religious Affairs will be interviewing chapel staff applicants.

IV. OTHER REPORTS:

- A. Vice-Presidents and Deans
  - 1. VP Lippert: No Report.
  - 2. The VP Condeni: 226 students took part in the scholarship visits over the past weekend, with over 575 visitors on campus. In addition to make-up visits, 180 more students will be here on Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup>, and two more events are scheduled.
  - 3. VP Hilderbrand: No Report
  - 4. VP Hunt: No Report.
  - 5. VP Green: No Report.
  - 6. Dean Farbrother: Dr. Farbrother reported that Reagle Racing has been sponsored by ONU. This car is driven by an ONU Mechanical Engineering student, and another student is his pit crew chief. The car will be used as a 'laboratory' in future years, with students suggesting and testing improvements to the car. Dr. Farbrother circulated a photo of the vehicle.
  - 7. Dean Bryant: No Report.
  - 8. Dean Manzer: A Policies and Procedures Review Working Group has been formed. This group will review policies and procedures on an ad hoc basis and make recommendations to the appropriate committee. Topics of review may include areas such as finals and the residency requirement.
  - 9. Dean Crago: No Report.

10. Dean Maris: No Report.

B. Student Senate

1. Mr. Hosek: The collection effort for the Northern Tsunami Fund has begun. Collection jars are being placed at locations around campus, and gold ribbons are available to show your support. People are asked to wear their ribbons on Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> in order to support this effort. Senate elections will take place the week of January 29<sup>th</sup>. A debate will be held January 27<sup>th</sup> in the Dicke Forum. Faculty are encouraged to attend.

C. Health Services Advisory committee:

1. VP Green: No Report.

D. Other Reports: None.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Vernon LaSala stated that the chapel speaker January 19<sup>th</sup> will be ONU graduate Mark Chow, who has been very well received by students in the past. On Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 8pm, the English Chapel will host a scholarly discussion between Ray Person and Robert Gagnon on the biblical texts and homosexuality.

VI. QUESTIONS FOR THE PRESIDENT:

- Dr. Allison thanked the President and the University for their openness and support in response to the recent ice storm. Dr. Baker responded that thanks is due to the whole University community for this response. The University supplied almost 4000 meals during the storm (between Thursday dinner and Monday morning), and provided a generator to assist Ada in powering the water system. A special thanks is due to all of the staff members who assisted during this time and helped make it possible for people to return to campus.
- Dr. Baker reported that the University has succeeded, after working on this for five years, in receiving direct federal support. This support will provide \$120,000 for assistance in the development of the new Pharmacy facilities. Dr. Baker stated that the process of having succeeded in receiving this direct allocation is more important over the long term than the amount of the award.
- Dr. Baker reported on the success of the Las Vegas alumni gathering, which over 90 alumni attended.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: None

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Prof. Canagaratna adjourned the meeting. Next regular meeting of University Council is February 1, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

John-David Yoder,  
Secretary