

OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

Minutes, February 15, 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: February 1, 2005 were approved as submitted.

II. REPORTS from CONSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEES:

- A. Budget and Appropriations: The committee has been meeting regularly and will meet tomorrow.
- B. Academic Affairs: No Report.
- C. Student Activities: No Report.
- D. Personnel: No Report.

III. REPORTS from OPERATIONAL COMMITTEES

- A. Athletics: No Report.
- B. Information Technology: No Report.
- C. Cultural & Special Events: No Report.
- D. International Affairs: No Report.
- E. Religious Affairs: No Report.

IV. OTHER REPORTS:

- A. Vice-Presidents and Deans
 - 1. VP Lippert: No Report.
 - 2. The VP Condeni: No Report.
 - 3. VP Hilderbrand: No Report.
 - 4. VP Hunt: No Report.
 - 5. VP Green: No Report.
 - 6. Dean Farbrother: The Spotts Lecture will be held at 7:30 pm on March 21st in the Freed Center. Shara Kerns, current President of the American Society for Engineering Education, will be speaking on "Engineering Life."
 - 7. Dean Bryant: Mary Sammons, CEO of Rite-Aid, will be on campus April 13th, involved in several activities with the students.
 - 8. Dean Manzer: No Report.
 - 9. Dean Crago: No Report.
 - 10. Dean Maris:
 - a. Dean Maris will be making a presentation regarding the Center for Cuban Business Studies at ONU to the Directors of the Ohio Departments of Development and Agriculture in Columbus on February 28th regarding this program.
 - b. Dean Maris has been appointed to the AACSB Task Force on Peace Through Commerce.
 - c. Dean Maris also discussed the history of former Dean of the College of Pharmacy at ONU, Rudolph H. Raabe. It was pointed out that Dr. Raabe's degrees were from ONU

(B.S. In 1903) and the University of Havana (Doctorate in 1930), showing a long history of connection between ONU and Cuba.

B. Student Senate

1. Mr. Hosek: No Report.

C. Health Services Advisory committee:

1. VP Green: No Report.

D. Other Reports: None.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Dr. Yoder announced that the nominations process has begun. People interested should contact their college representatives on the Nominations Committee (Dr. Finn, Dr. Gerber, Dr. Hrometz, Dr. Zekany, and Dr. Yoder). Dr. Goldberg clarified that these are the nominations for the at-large positions, NOT for the college positions.

VI. QUESTIONS FOR THE PRESIDENT:

- Dr. Finn asked the President if he could explain the process of deciding which trees were being removed completely in response to the damage caused by the ice storm. Dr. Baker responded that the tree service which was hired made recommendations about which trees to remove. These recommendations were then reviewed by two ONU employees. Decisions were made based on the viability of the tree and safety concerns.
- Dean Farbrother asked the President if any plans had been made regarding backup power generation in response to the ice storm. Dr. Baker responded that while no generators have been ordered, the need for additional generators is being assessed. In addition, new buildings will likely have backup power generation.
- Dr. Baker also reported on the February Board of Trustees meeting, which was held in Cleveland this year. He felt the meeting was a great success. All personnel recommendations were approved by the board. In addition, the Board approved a twelve million dollar bond issue which will be used to build additional housing and renovate all existing housing. This work is expected to begin during the summer of 2005.
- Prof. Canagaratna reported that she and Dr. Sadurski also attended the meeting. She attended the meetings regarding personnel issues and was very impressed at the preparation of the Committee. She urged faculty to remember as they prepare their promotion materials that these materials will be read by the Board.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: None

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Prof. Canagaratna adjourned the meeting at 6:02pm. Next regular meeting of University Council is March 15, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

John-David Yoder,
Secretary