

OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

Minutes, April 18, 2006

Roll: (Absentees underlined) Dr. Baker, Dr. Lippert, Mr. Green, Dean Condeni, Dean Hilderbrand, Dean Manzer, Interim Dean Smalley, Dean Bryant, Dean Fenton, Dean Crago, Rev. LaSala, Prof. Essinger, Dr. Theisen, Dr. Loughlin, Dr. Robeson, Prof. Nutter, Dr. Sadurski, Dr. M. Govekar, Dr. Zekany, Dr. Reza, Dr. Yoder, Dr. Clarke, Dr. Gerber, Dr. Hrometz, Dr. Shields, Dr. Allison, Dr. Streib, Dr. Putt, Dr. Person, Dr. Woodley, Mr. Wickersham, Mr. Block, Prof. Canagaratna

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

- I. MINUTES: April 4, 2006 minutes were approved as submitted.
- II. REPORTS from CONSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEES:
 - A. Budget and Appropriations: The committee has not met since the last meeting of Council.
 - B. Academic Affairs: No Report.
 - C. Student Activities: The proposed student advisor handbook is being reviewed by the committee.
 - D. Personnel: Two items will be presented under new business.
- 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: The next meeting of the committee will be an evaluation of Chapel. Bishop Ough will be discussing recent rulings of the judicial council of the United Methodist Church at a meeting in the Chapel on May 2nd, at 7:30 pm.
- IV. REPORT from PLANNING COUNCIL

Dr. Baker reported that the Planning Council met and had a productive discussion about facilities. The council will meet two more times this year.
- V. OTHER REPORTS:
 - A. Vice-Presidents and Deans
 1. VP Lippert: No Report.
 2. VP Condeni: No Report.
 3. VP Hilderbrand: No Report.
 4. VP Green: No Report.
 5. Dean Smalley: No Report.
 6. Dean Bryant: No Report.
 7. Dean Manzer: No Report.
 8. Dean Crago: No Report.
 9. Dean Fenton: No Report.

- B. Student Senate
 - 1. Mr. Wickersham: The Student Government Conference on campus Aprils 8th was a great success. Options are being considered for improvement next year. Student Senate work is ongoing on Relay for Life, the Catherine Freed Leadership Award, and improvement of the bylaws.
- C. Health Services Advisory Committee:
 - 1. VP Green: No Report. .

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Dr. Loughlin announced that business students would be reporting on their overseas experiences in Dicke room 230 on April 27th from 8:00-9:00 pm. (Secretary's note: Dr. Loughlin wishes to note that another such presentation will take place May 3 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in Dicke 230).
- B. Dr. Yoder announced that faculty governance nominations are in place for elections. Nominations can continue to be made by contacting Dr. Yoder, or at the faculty meeting before elections.

VII. QUESTIONS FOR THE PRESIDENT:

- A. The President noted that the Undergraduate Research Colloquium was a great success.
- B. The President updated the status of various searches. The Engineering Dean search is in the final stages. There are five finalists for the Vice President for University Advancement, and the Pharmacy Dean search is underway.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

- IX. NEW BUSINESS: Dr. Bazlamit of the Personnel Committee presented two new items. The first was an increase in the number of quarters of sabbatical leave available in a year. Dr. Yoder asked if any thought had been given to making this based on a percentage of the faculty rather than a set number of quarter. Dr. Bazalmit responded that this had not been considered. Dr. Gerber indicated he was in agreement with the proposal. Dr. Baker noted that this must be based on availability of funds. The second item regarded the evaluation of faculty with four-year rolling contracts. Dr. Manzer pointed out that this change was largely due to the fact the current practice in Arts and Sciences did not agree with the current language in the Faculty Handbook. This is a different category of position, but different expectations have not been in place officially.

- X. ADJOURNMENT: Professor Canagaratna adjourned the meeting. The next meeting of University Council will be May 2nd, 2006, at 5:30 PM in room 7 and 8 of McIntosh Center.

Respectfully submitted,

John-David Yoder, Secretary