

OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

Minutes, April 3, 2007

Roll: (Absentees underlined) Pres. Baker, VP Lippert, VP. Green, VP. Stevick, VP Condeni, VP Hilderbrand, Dean Manzer, Dean Baumgartner, Dean Sprague, Dean Fenton, Jr., Dean Crago, Rev. LaSala, Ms. Alice Essinger Dr. Donald Hunt, Dr. Michael Loughlin, Dr. Lisa Robeson, Prof. Kate Witte, Dr. Zank, Dr. M. Govekar, Prof. Ewing, Dr. Reza, Dr. Sawyers, Dr. Clarke, Dr. Gerber, Dr. Milks, Dr. Shields, Dr. Broekemeier, Dr. Durkin, Dr. Yoder, Dr. Person, Dr. Woodley, Mr. Eagle, Mr. Wills, Prof. Keiser.

University Council Vice-Chair, Sunny Zank, called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

- I. MINUTES: With no additions or corrections minutes of March 20, 2007 were accepted as distributed.
- II. REPORTS from CONSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEES:
 - A. Personnel: Prof. Canagaratna, reported evaluations completed and implemented for President and Vice-President of Academic Affairs; recommended forms for other Vice-Presidents will come to Council approval; reported approved recommendation for raise at 4% with 0-2% for meeting core performance expectations and 2% for merit.
- III. REPORTS from OPERATIONAL COMMITTEES
 - A. Cultural & Special Events: Dr. Zank reported will meet again in April
 - B. Religious Affairs: Dr. Person reported will meet at end of April to evaluate the year's program.
- IV. REPORT from PLANNING COUNCIL: Pres. Baker reported the committee met Monday April 2; reviewed the Collegiate Learning Assessment (CLA) and National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) results, discussion was valuable to all members.
- V. OTHER REPORTS:
 - A. Vice-Presidents and Deans
 1. VP Hilderbrand: noted Mr. Eagle Student Senate President would report.
 2. Dean Baumgartner: reported students competing at the American Society of Civil Engineers took 2nd in regional competition, would compete nationally in Seattle.
 3. Dean Fenton: reported Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) won the Ohio regional competition and would move on to national at Dallas, Society for Advancement of Management (SAM) took national 3rd place in Campus Chapter Performance Plan in Las Vegas, and American Marketing Association (AMA) took 1st in two of three categories at the national trade show in New Orleans.
 - B. Student Senate
 1. Mr. Eagle: reported Senate would meet in Dicke Forum at 5 p.m. Wednesdays; Executive Board Fridays at 5 p.m. in Dicke Messenger 115' participation in Habitat Lego Build and "Build-a Box;" a car wash for student suggestions; a planned meeting with VP Condeni to discuss limitations in Continuous Achievement Scholarships; and noted the new website at <http://www.onu.edu/org/studentsenate/> Handed out a listing of Senate members positions and contact information.
 - C. Health Services Advisory Committee
 1. VP Green: reported committee meeting April 4, continuing to discuss optional voluntary dental plan, most likely for next year.
 - D. Nominations: Dr. Gerber reported all colleges submitted nominees, and elections would be held in May.
- VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
 - A. Dr. Zank announced an ad hoc committee to consider funding of speakers chaired by Dr. Clarke with Mr. Eagle and others.

- VII. QUESTIONS FOR THE PRESIDENT: President Baker called Council members' attention to the proposed changes to Student Choice Grants as summarized in the Northern Review. If passed, it will implement in Fall 2007; currently a \$1.6 million negative impact on current students, will have impact on enrollments. He would be missing Founders Day to attend legislative hearings on April 4 in Columbus. ONU will join a coalition with U of Dayton, Case and other private schools to address this issue.
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS: Prof. Canagaratna presented Personnel Committee recommendation to amend Section 1.12.1 and App. 10 in the Faculty Handbook regarding sabbatical leaves; consolidates information in two places in handbook currently; reviewed our policies and those of our peers.
- IX. ADJOURNMENT: The next regular Council meeting will be Tuesday April 17, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. Dr. Zank called for adjournment; Dr. Gerber moved and Dr. Loughlin seconded; with no dissent the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele A. Govekar, Secretary