

OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

Minutes, October 17, 2006

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. Wickersham, Mr. Wills, Prof. Keiser.

University Council Chair, Terry Keiser, called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM in the Dicke Forum.

- I. MINUTES: October 3 2006 were approved.
- II. REPORTS from CONSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEES:
 - A. Budget and Appropriations: Dr. Woodley: met and received new planning parameters using an enrollment number 3580 for 2007-08.
 - B. Academic Affairs: Dr. Goldberg: two items relating to 3.11 and 3.14 in the Faculty Handbook will be sent to Council.
- III. REPORTS from OPERATIONAL COMMITTEES: none.
- IV. REPORT from PLANNING COUNCIL: Pres. Baker reported the Council met last Tuesday night; discussing the Spelling Commission report; next meeting will be to make specific connections between the report and things to think about at ONU.
- V. OTHER REPORTS:
 - A. Vice-Presidents and Deans: Prof. Keiser asked if there were Vice-Presidents who wished to report.

VP Condeni: two major events this week; Jostens Leadership High School Seminar October 19th with almost 300 expected, and Fall Visit Day Oct. 21st with over 200 high school students. Visitors are heavy; 32 families last Friday, tomorrow 35, 35 this Friday as deadlines approach.

Prof. Keiser asked if there were Deans present who wished to report.
 - B. Student Senate
 1. Mr. Wickersham: Coffee House Oct. 17th in the Affinity Village Commons, open to faculty & staff.. Budget and Appropriations work continues. Leadership Conference set for March 11; speaker search is underway. Dr. Loughlin asked for Phi Beta Delta if there were too many hoops for organizations to obtain funding. Mr. Wickersham replied that the process was the same for every organization; since some organizations are failing to carry over carefully, Student Senate must have all documentation on file in order to accept requests. Dr. Loughlin replied that these requirements were onerous on the students involved.
 - C. Health Services Advisory Committee: Prof. Keiser asked if anyone was present for the committee.
- VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
 - A. Rev. LaSala: announced that this week on the Tundra just west of the Chapel; Christmas lights would allow experiencing the Labyrinth at night.
 - B. Dr. Gerber: announced the Kormendy Lecture, Oct. 23rd 4 p.m. in Large Moot Court Room, Akhil Reed Amar would also be signing his book, which the ONU bookstore had stocked.
 - C. Dr. Woodley: University parking committee is meeting Wednesday October 18th. Please relay comments from students, faculty and staff. Pres. Baker asked where to relay the comments; Dr. Woodley answered that the committee has been trying to obtain a website off the Campus

Security website and linked to the Student Senate webpage. In the meantime, send comments to her.

- D. Dr. Hunt reported the Math department's Math Shootout was a success; 54 students competed, six teachers were present. Bellefontaine reigns as the champion. Thanks to Dean Condeni and the Admissions Staff for their help and support.
- E. Dr. Loughlin announced that next Thursday 7-8 p.m. in Dicke 230 Dr. Garver would present a lecture on education in post-apartheid South Africa.
- F. QUESTIONS FOR THE PRESIDENT: President Baker stated that campus has been very busy the last few weeks. Homecoming was delightful; alumni commented it was tremendous. The numbers were astonishing. He expressed special appreciation to the Colleges; all colleges had tents where alums could meet with faculty, Deans and others. Registrations were approximately 2500; after lunch no food was left. Stadium attendance was over 3000, and that's not counting the students arrayed all over. Alums were pleased. Pres. Baker added that enrollment of 3580 was anticipated, relative to this year's 3569. The University tends to budget fairly conservatively, so funding allocations will be based on a smaller number about 3550 perhaps. Dr. Woodley commented that Budget & Appropriations was working with 3580. Pres. Baker answered that we'll be as conservative as we can because we try very hard not to pull back allocations. Pres. Baker also noted that anybody is welcome at the Coffee House.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: none.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion for adjournment from Dr. Gerber. The next regular Council meeting will be Tuesday November 7, 2006 at 5:30 p.m.

With no dissent, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele A. Govekar, Secretary