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MINUTES

University Council
Wednesday, November 2, 2022, 3 p.m.
Altgeld Hall 315
Northern Illinois University
DeKalb, Illinois

[Full transcript](#)

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Beyer, Costello, Cripe, Falkoff, Freeman, Garcia, Geller, Heckman (for Cofer), Hulseberg, Ingram, Kassel, Morris (for Monteiro), Nicholson, Olson, Pietrowski, Pitney, Rogers, Scheibe, Simonson, Srygler, Stein (for Vaughn), Walther

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Bohanon, Douglass, Monteiro, Morgan, Vaughn

OTHERS PRESENT: Blazey, Bryan, Gallaher, Hodson, Hughes, McCord, Montana, Pederson, Saborío

I. CALL TO ORDER

NIU President **L. Freeman** called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

II. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was verified.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

B. Pitney moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by **M. Geller**. Motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 5, 2022, MINUTES

B. Pitney moved to approve the minutes, seconded by **L. Garcia**. Motion passed.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. NIU PRESIDENT LISA FREEMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

VII. ITEMS FOR UNIVERSITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

A. [University Benefits Committee](#)

Chris McCord, UBC member
Professor, Department of Mathematical Sciences

Dan Pedersen, UBC member
Executive Director, Housing and Residential Services

- B. [Campus Sustainability Plan](#) and Status of
[Northern Illinois Center for Community Sustainability](#) (NICSS)

Jerry Blazey
Vice President for Research and Innovation Partnerships

Courtney Gallaher
Associate Professor, Department of Earth, Atmosphere and Environment
Campus Sustainability Coordinator

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Proposed amendment to NIU Bylaws, Article 2.2, UCPC membership and duties
SECOND READING/VOTE
Bill Hodson, Senior Associate Vice President, Human Resource Services

L. Stein moved to approve the proposed amendment to NIU Bylaws, Article 2.2, seconded by **M. Geller**. Following discussion, **L. Stein** proposed an amendment to the motion on the floor, adding that the body approve, in general the proposed amendment to NIU Bylaws, Article 2.2, and request that it be further revised to clarify the issues relating to clinical faculty. No second to the amended motion was received. **B. Ingram** called the question. The original motion to amend the NIU Bylaws, Article 2.2 was approved.

Yes – 10
No – 5
Abstain 5

IX. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

- A. Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE – Linda Saborío – report
- B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – no report
Felicia Bohanon, Holly Nicholson, Ismael Montana
Katy Jaekel, Karen Whedbee, Brad Cripe
- C. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – no report
- D. Student Government Association – report
Dallas Douglass, Speaker of the Senate
- E. Operating Staff Council – Holly Nicholson, President – report
- F. Supportive Professional Staff Council – Felicia Bohanon, President – report

X. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. [Policy Library](#) – Comment on Proposed Policies (right-hand column on web page)
- B. [Minutes](#), Academic Planning Council
- C. [Minutes](#), Athletic Board
- D. [Minutes](#), Baccalaureate Council
- E. [Minutes](#), Board of Trustees
- F. [Minutes](#), Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
- G. [Minutes](#), Comm. on the Improvement of the Undergraduate Academic Experience
- H. [Minutes](#), General Education Committee
- I. [Minutes](#), Graduate Council
- J. [Minutes](#), Honors Committee
- K. [Minutes](#), Operating Staff Council
- L. [Minutes](#), Supportive Professional Staff Council
- M. [Minutes](#), University Assessment Panel
- N. [Minutes](#), University Benefits Committee
- O. [Minutes](#), Univ. Comm. on Advanced and Nonteaching Educator License Programs
- P. [Minutes](#), University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure
- Q. [2021-22 Annual Reports](#)
- R. UC 2022-23 dates: Nov 2, Nov 30, Feb 1, Mar 1, Apr 5, May 3

XI. ADJOURNMENT

H. Nicholson moved to adjourn, seconded by **M. Geller**. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.