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**UNIVERSITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, September 9, 2016, 3 p.m.**  
**Holmes Student Center Sky Room**

[Full transcript](#)

**VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:** Abdel-Motaleb, Adeboje, Arriola, Baker, Bishop, Block, Brubaker, Carey, Carlson, Chen, Conderman (for Pitney), Cordes, Dawson, Deng, Doederlein, Domke, Elish-Piper, Freeman, Giese, Haliczzer, Hanley, Hathaway, Hedin, Irwin (for Chakraborty), Jaffee, Jemison, Keith, Khoury, Lagioia, Lee, Lezon, Liberty-Baczek, Long, Lupstein, Macdonald, McCord, Mogren, Moremen, Naples, Nicholson, Parks (for Bauer), Pavkov, Penrod, Riley, Saborio, Scherer, Staikidis, Sto. Domingo, Tahernezhad, Thu, Towell (for Schoenbachler), Vazquez, Wagenecht

**VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:** Bauer, Bond, Campbell, Chakraborty, Farrell, Naples, Pitney, Schoenbachler, Vohra

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Armstrong, Bryan, Coryell, Douglass, Klaper, Love-Moore, Phillips, Weldy

**OTHERS ABSENT:** Kaplan

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m.

**II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**C. Doederlein** moved to adopt the agenda, **D. Domke** seconded. Motion passed.

**III. APPROVAL OF THE [MINUTES](#) OF THE APRIL 29, 2015 MEETING**

**C. Doederlein** moved to approve the minutes; **D. Domke** seconded. Motion passed.

**IV. PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

For complete comments, see the meeting [transcript](#).

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. University Council Standing Committees – Per NIU Bylaws, Article 2, approve the [2015-16 membership roster](#) – Pages 4-5

B. [University Advisory Committee to the BOT](#) – Per NIU Bylaws, Article 16.4.1.1, confirm 2015-16 membership roster and confirm Leanne VandeCreek for a three-year term (2015-2018) – 6

- C. Northern Star Publications Board – Approve the nomination of Rick Baert, for re-appointment to the NSPB. Mr. Baert graduated from NIU in 1981 and subsequently earned his M.A. in 1992. He has worked at the Daily Herald and has been with Crain Communications for several years as a reporter and editor.
- D. Student Conduct Board
  - 1. Approve the nomination of Danae Simonsen, Academic Counselor, Department of Counseling, Adult and Higher Education, for a new three-year term, replacing Dane Gotto. Simonsen is a supportive professional staff employee replacing a supportive professional staff employee.
  - 2. Approve the nomination of Sarah Ransom, Office Manager, Student Legal Assistance, for a new three-year term, replacing Kelli Bradley. Ransom is an operating staff employee replacing an operating staff employee.

**D. Domke** moved to approve the Consent Agenda; **C. Doederlein** seconded. Motion passed.

**VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Proposed revisions to NIU Constitution, [Article 7](#) – Page 7  
Related Councils  
**SECOND READING – ACTION ITEM**

**J. Hathaway** moved to approve the proposal; **H. Nicholson** seconded.

**D. Halicz** moved a friendly amendment to add a clarifying definition of the term, “university community.” The proposed friendly amendment is to insert the following phrase in Article 7.1 just after “university community”: (i.e., faculty, staff, students, and administrators). **P. Liberty-Baczak** seconded. The friendly amendment motion passed.

The original motion, as revised per the friendly amendment, passed.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Proposed revisions to NIU Bylaws, [Article 17.1](#), Athletic Board – Pages 8-9  
**FIRST READING**
- B. Proposed revisions to NIU Bylaws, [Article 2.2](#), Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – Pages 10-11  
**FIRST READING**
- C. Proposed revisions to NIU Bylaws, [Article 15.8.1](#), University Assessment Panel – Pages 12-14  
**FIRST READING**

- D. Proposed revisions to NIU Bylaws, [Article 15.3.1.3\(B\)](#), Academic Planning Council – Pages 15-17  
**FIRST READING**

## VIII. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

- A. FAC to IBHE – Sonya Armstrong – report  
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- B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees  
Greg Long, Dan Gebo, Rebecca Shortridge, Leanne VandeCreek  
Deborah Haliczzer, Holly Nicholson
1. BOT Academic Affairs, Student Affairs and Personnel Committee  
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  2. BOT Finance, Facilities, and Operations Committee  
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  5. Board of Trustees  
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- C. Academic Policy Committee – no report
- D. Resources, Space and Budget Committee – Mark Riley, Chair – no report
- E. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – no report
- F. University Affairs Committee – Linda Saborio, Chair – no report
- G. Student Association – Nathan Lupstein, President – no report
- For complete comments, see the meeting [transcript](#).
- H. Operating Staff Council – Holly Nicholson, President – no report
- I. Supportive Professional Staff Council – Deborah Haliczzer, President – [report](#) – Page 28

## IX. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

## X. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. [Minutes](#), Academic Planning Council
- B. [Minutes](#), Admissions Policies and Academic Standards Committee
- C. [Minutes](#), Athletic Board
- D. [Minutes](#), Board of Trustees
- E. [Minutes](#), Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
- F. [Minutes](#), Committee on the Improvement of Undergraduate Education
- G. [Minutes](#), Committee on the Undergraduate Academic Experience
- H. [Minutes](#), Committee on the Undergraduate Curriculum
- I. [Minutes](#), General Education Committee
- J. [Minutes](#), Graduate Council
- K. [Minutes](#), Graduate Council Curriculum Committee
- L. [Minutes](#), Honors Committee
- M. [Minutes](#), Operating Staff Council
- N. [Minutes](#), Supportive Professional Staff Council
- O. [Minutes](#), Undergraduate Coordinating Council
- P. [Minutes](#), University Assessment Panel
- Q. [Minutes](#), University Benefits Committee
- R. [Minutes](#), Univ. Comm. on Advanced and Nonteaching Educator License Programs
- S. [Minutes](#), University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure
- T. [Meeting Schedule](#) – 2015-16 – Page 29
- U. [Annual Report](#), Athletic Board
- V. [Annual Report](#), Academic Planning Council
- W. [Annual Report](#), Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
- X. [Annual Report](#), Graduate Council
- Y. [Annual Report](#), University Assessment Panel
- Z. [Annual Report](#), University Council Personnel Committee

## XI. ADJOURNMENT

**K. Thu** moved to adjourn; **C. Doederlein** seconded. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.