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UNIVERSITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Wednesday, December 2, 2015, 3 p.m.
Holmes Student Center Sky Room

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VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Adeboje, Baker, Bauer, Bishop, Block, Brubaker, Carey, Carlson, Chen, Dawson, Deng, Doederlein, Domke, Douglass (for Freeman), Giese, Gilson, Haliczzer, Hanley, Hathaway, Jaffee, Khoury, Lee, Liberty-Baczek, Long, Lupstein, Macdonald, McCord, Mogren, Moremen, Naples, Nicholson, Nissenbaum, Pavkov, Penrod, Riley, Rodgers, Saborio, Scherer, Slotsve (for Farrell), Staikidis, Thu, Towell (for Schoenbachler), Vazquez, Vohra, Wagenecht, Wood

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Abdel-Motaleb, Arriola, Barth, Bond, Campbell, Cordes, Dhar, Elish-Piper, Farrell, Freeman, Hedin, Jemison, Lagioia, Lezon, Pitney, Schoenbachler, Sto. Domingo, Thomas

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan, Coryell, Falkoff, Klaper, Konen, Phillips, Weldy

OTHERS ABSENT: Armstrong, Kaplan, Levin

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m.

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

R. Scherer moved to adopt the agenda; **C. Doederlein** seconded. **D. Baker** noted two additions under VII. New Business: C. Temporary Appointment Waiver Request for Gerald Blazey, Interim Vice President for Research and Innovation Partnerships; and D. Temporary Appointment Waiver Request for Harlan Teller, Interim Vice President for Marketing and Communications. Motion passed.

III. APPROVAL OF THE [MINUTES](#) OF THE NOVEMBER 4, 2015 MEETING

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

IV. PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

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V. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve FS/UC Rules, Governance and Elections Committee [roster](#)
per NIU Bylaws Article 2.2.1 – Page 3

V. Naples moved to approve the Consent Agenda; **Janet Hathaway** seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Proposed revisions to NIU Bylaws, [Article 15.8.1](#), University Assessment Panel – Pages 4-6
SECOND READING – ACTION ITEM

D. Haliczzer moved to approve the proposed revisions; **V. Naples** seconded. Motion failed.

YES – 40
NO – 2
ABSTAIN - 0

- B. Proposed revisions to NIU Constitution, [Article 2.2.3](#), Membership on the University Council – Page 7
SECOND READING – ACTION ITEM

H. Nicholson moved to approved the proposed revisions; **P. Vohra** seconded. Motion passed.

YES – 43
NO – 2
ABSTAIN – 0

- C. Reconsideration of proposed revisions to NIU Bylaws, [Article 15.8.1](#),
University Assessment Panel – Pages 4-6
SECOND READING – ACTION ITEM

D. Domke called for a point of order to reconsider Item A. as there were now 45 voting members present; **D. Haliczzer** seconded. Motion passed.

YES – 37
NO – 7
ABSTAIN – 1

P. Vohra moved to approve the proposed revisions; **D. Domke** seconded. Motion failed.

YES – 37
NO – 7
ABSTAIN - 2

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Proposed revisions to NIU Bylaws [Article 14.5](#),
University Faculty Senate Officers – FIRST READING – Pages 8-9
- B. Review of NIU Constitution and Bylaws – refer to Rules, Governance and
Elections Committee

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J. Hathaway moved to approve the proposed referral; **H. Nicholson** seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

- C. [Temporary Appointment Waiver Request](#) per NIU Bylaws 19.5.2.2 – walk-in
Gerald Blazey, Interim Vice President for Research and Innovation Partnerships

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R. Scherer moved to approve the waiver request; **J. Hathaway** seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

- D. [Temporary Appointment Waiver Request](#) per NIU Bylaws 19.5.2.2 – walk-in
Harlan Teller, Interim Vice President for Marketing and Communications

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H. Nicholson moved to approve the waiver request; **D. Domke** seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

VIII. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

- A. FAC to IBHE – Sonya Armstrong – [report](#) – Page 10
- B. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees
Greg Long, Dan Gebo, Rebecca Shortridge, Leanne VandeCreek
Deborah Haliczzer, Holly Nicholson – no report
- C. Academic Policy Committee, Chris McCord, Chair – no report
- D. Resources, Space and Budget Committee – Mark Riley, Chair – no report
- E. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – Therese Arado, Chair – no report
- F. University Affairs Committee – Linda Saborio, Chair – no report

G. Student Association – Nathan Lupstein, President – report

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

H. Operating Staff Council – Holly Nicholson, President – report

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I. Supportive Professional Staff Council – Deborah Haliczzer, President – report

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IX. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

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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](#), Faculty Sena
- J. [Minutes](#), General Education Committee
- K. [Minutes](#), Graduate Council
- L. [Minutes](#), Graduate Council Curriculum Committee
- M. [Minutes](#), Honors Committee
- N. [Minutes](#), Operating Staff Council
- O. [Minutes](#), Supportive Professional Staff Council
- P. [Minutes](#), Undergraduate Coordinating Council
- Q. [Minutes](#), University Assessment Panel
- R. [Minutes](#), University Benefits Committee
- S. [Minutes](#), Univ. Comm. on Advanced and Nonteaching Educator License Programs
- T. [Minutes](#), University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure

XI. ADJOURNMENT

S. Nissenbaum moved to adjourn; **D. Haliczzer** seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 4:32 p.m.