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UNIVERSITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Wednesday, November 7, 2012, 3 p.m.
Holmes Student Center Sky Room

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 10, 2012 UC MEETING
(distributed electronically)

IV. PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

V. CONSENT AGENDA

VI. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

- A. FAC to IBHE – Sonya Armstrong – report – Page 3
MAP 102 (distributed electronically)
- B. BOT Academic Affairs, Student Affairs and Personnel Committee – Kerry Freedman and Andy Small – no report
- C. BOT Finance, Facilities and Operations Committee – Alan Rosenbaum and Greg Waas – no report
- D. BOT Legislation, Audit, and External Affairs Committee – Todd Latham and Rosita Lopez – no report
- E. BOT – Alan Rosenbaum – no report
- F. Academic Policy Committee – Sean Farrell, Chair – no report
- G. Resources, Space and Budgets Committee – Paul Carpenter, Chair – report – walk-in
- H. Rules and Governance Committee – Melissa Lenczewski, Chair – no report
- I. University Affairs Committee – Kathleen Coles, Chair – no report
- J. Student Association – Delonte LeFlore, President, and Austin Quick, Speaker – report
- K. Operating Staff Council – Andy Small, President – report – walk-in
- L. Supportive Professional Staff Council – Todd Latham, President – report – Page 4

M. Elections and Legislative Oversight Committee – Abhijit Gupta, Chair – no report

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. [Proposed Revision](#) to NIU Bylaws Article 14.9.3(2) – biennial Multicultural Curriculum Transformation Institute – **FIRST READING** – Page 5

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](#), Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
- E. [Minutes](#), Committee on Advanced Professional Certification in Education
- F. [Minutes](#), Committee on the Improvement of Undergraduate Education
- G. [Minutes](#), Committee on Initial Teacher Certification
- H. [Minutes](#), Committee on the Undergraduate Academic Experience
- I. [Minutes](#), Committee on the Undergraduate Curriculum
- J. [Minutes](#), General Education Committee
- K. [Minutes](#), Honors Committee
- L. [Minutes](#), Operating Staff Council
- M. [Minutes](#), Supportive Professional Staff Council
- N. [Minutes](#), Undergraduate Coordinating Council
- O. [Minutes](#), University Assessment Panel
- P. [Minutes](#), University Benefits Committee

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Report on the FAC-IBHE Meeting, October 19, 2012

The Faculty Advisory Council (FAC) to the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) met on October 19, 2012, at Danville Area Community College (DACC). The meeting began with the introduction of DACC's President, Alice Marie Jacobs, who reported on DACC's enrollment trends and partnerships with local K-12 system.

IBHE Updates

In the IBHE Staff Liaison Report, Ocheng Jany (IBHE) provided updates on staffing at IBHE. He noted, first, that it will take some time for the three new IBHE staff members in academic affairs to be fully trained. Also, he reported that there are two finalists left in the pool for the Deputy Director of Academic Affairs position. Finally, IBHE has inherited a new division from the State Board of Education that approves certificates for short programs (typically less than one year).

MAP Task Force

Steven Rock provided "MAP 102," a follow-up presentation from the September meeting that provides predictions and insights on the 60 by 25 goal.

Illinois Amendment 49

Linda Brookhart, Executive Director of SUAA, joined the meeting by phone to provide her perspective on the constitutional amendment that will be on the ballot. The SUAA web site has detailed information on the subject. Toby Trimmer, Director of Political Activities for the Illinois Federation of Teachers, also called in by phone to give his take on the amendment. There was consensus that the amendment was poorly written, unclear as to what it applies to, and would have substantial (likely negative) yet unknown consequences.

Legislator Visits

State Representative Chad Hays (R-104th district) visited to provide insights on higher education issues in the legislation. He serves on the Higher Education Committee, and is a supporter of higher education.

The next guest was State Senator Michael Frerichs. He is likely to be the chair of the Senate's Higher Education Committee with the retirement of Senator Ed Maloney. He stated that higher education is very important to him.

Public Four-Year Caucus Updates

The Public Caucus has set up two subcommittees: Academic Matters and Fiduciary/Administrative Matters. One goal for these subcommittees is to write op/ed articles to send to small/local papers. The subcommittees will try to bring reports to the next meeting, such as the value of higher education and pension reform/cost shifting.

The minutes from our September 21st meeting were approved. Adjournment was at 3:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonya L. Armstrong
Assistant Professor in the Department of Literacy Education
NIU Representative to the IBHE Faculty Advisory Council

**Supportive Professional Staff Council
Report at University Council
November 7, 2012**

Council Action

Council participated in an interactive process with the SPS Survey Committee to identify, prioritize, clarify and define information desired by council. The committee will finalize the survey instrument for the 2013 survey process.

Council accepted the resignation of Aaron Scissors, Division 6- Athletics, and approved Kiera Miller as his replacement.

Committees

The Awards Committee announced that nominations for SPS Presidential Award for Excellence for 2013 were open effective October 11, 2012 and will close on December 3, 2102.

Old/New Business

Council entered into an agreement with the NIU Foundation to establish the SPS Dependent Scholarship. The SPS Statement on Professional Ethics was updated and approved by council.

Respectfully submitted,

Todd Latham, President
Supportive Professional Staff Council

**Committee on Multicultural Curriculum Transformation -
Proposed Revision**

EXECUTIVE:
STEERING: 10/24/12
FACULTY SENATE:
UNIVERSITY COUNCIL: 11/7/12
REFER TO:

The Office of the Executive Vice President and Provost has requested the revision to this bylaw. In the past the Multicultural Curriculum Transformation Institute has been held annually but, based on past participation levels, the Institute will now be held every other year.

BYLAWS OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

ARTICLE 14: ACADEMIC COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY

14.9 Committee on Multicultural Curriculum Transformation

14.9.1. Composition Membership of the committee shall consist of the following:

- Vice provost for academic planning and development, ex officio, nonvoting member
- Director, Center for Black Studies, ex officio, voting member
- Director, Center for Latino and Latin American Studies, ex officio, voting member
- Director, Women's Studies, ex officio, voting member
- Director of Faculty Development and Instructional Design Center, ex officio, nonvoting member
- One faculty member from each degree-granting college
- One supportive professional staff member who teaches regularly
- One curricular dean, ex officio, nonvoting member

Faculty and staff members shall be appointed to serve three-year staggered terms beginning in the fall semester, not to exceed two consecutive terms. All other members, or their designees, shall serve continuous terms. Members shall be appointed by the Provost.

14.9.2 Chair The chair position of the committee will rotate every two years among the directors of the Center for Black Studies, the Center for Latino and Latin American Studies, and Women's Studies.

14.9.3 Duties The duties of the committee shall include the following:

1. To promote multicultural curricular transformation on campus;
2. To coordinate the ~~annual~~ **biennial** Multicultural Curriculum Transformation Institute and related programs;
3. To advise the provost and university bodies on multicultural curriculum transformation issues;
4. To submit an annual report on activities of the committee to the provost.