

University Council Minutes

November 14, 2019 2:00 p.m. (Forest Room) | Meeting Called to Order by Joseph Staley, Vice President - University Advancement

In Attendance

Mohamed AbdelGilill, Sheila Baker, Elizabeth Beavers, Dwayne Busby, Miguel Gonzalez, Samuel Gladden (for Rick Short), Lisa Gossett, Tyler Hall, Eric Herrera, Rebecca Huss-Keeler Heather Kanenberg, Nick Kelling, Vivienne McClendon, Brad McGonagle, Mike McMullen, Usha Mathew, Kathryn Matthew, Joan Pedro, Tim Richardson, Joseph Staley, Brian Stephens, Joyce Delores Taylor, Ed Waller, Paul Withey

ABSENT: De'Awn Bunch, Evelyn Miralles, Aja Rodriguez, Rick Short, Charlotte Tullos

GUESTS: David Rachita

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the September 12, 2019 meeting were reviewed and approved electronically on October 12, 2019.

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Mr. Staley welcomed the committee members to the meeting.

Academic Council

Humanities Law and Society Minor (Updated)

The proposed updated Humanities Law and Society Minor was presented for approval. There being no questions or further discussion, the updated proposal was unanimously approved.

Textbook and Educational Materials Policy

The proposed Textbook and Educational Materials Policy was presented for approval. There being no questions or comments, the policy was unanimously approved.

Information Items – University Shared Governance Committee Reports

Planning and Budget Committee

Mr. Withey advised the tuition and fee increase were reviewed by the Student Governance Association (SGA) and the Planning and Budget Committee (PBC). Further discussion followed regarding the increase in tuition and fees. A question was raised as how UH-Clear Lake tuition ranks in comparison to other Texas universities. Ms. Mathew advised she will update this information, which will be sent to the committee members.

No Reports

Academic Council Facilities and Support Services Committee University Life Committee

President's Report

The following announcements were made:

UH-Clear Lake is rated in the top 10% for Institutions serving Veterans

December 13 – Soaring Hawks (Senior Send-Off)

December 15 – Fall Commencement – December 15, 2019 at NRG Arena.

Announcements

Mr. Staley asked each committee member to share a piece of good news.

Ms. McClendon recognized the Facilities and Maintenance staff for their outstanding work in repairing damage due to a flooding issue in the library.

Mr. Herrera stated the Bayou Building Office Relocation Plan (Bayou Shuffle) will be discussed at the next University Council meeting.

Dr. Huss-Keeler reported that Mr. Denney will be giving a presentation regarding the Bayou Shuffle and also a preview of Phase II of the Student Build-out (fitness zone) on Monday, November 18, 2019 10am – 12pm (Bayou 2104).

Mr. Staley announced that the Strategic Planning process is ongoing and acknowledged those members who have been participating in this important work in finalizing completion of the UHCL Strategic Plan.

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:13 p.m.