Council will meet on Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. in Dicke Hall 230.

I. Minutes of February 7, 2012 meeting

II. Reports from Constitutional Committees
   a. Budget & Appropriations
      Liaison: Young
      Chair: Beaschler
   b. Academic Affairs
      Liaison: Lomax
      Chair: Lomax
   c. Student Activities
      Liaison: Walton
      Chair: Walton
   d. Personnel
      Liaison: Zekany
      Chair: Zekany

III. Reports from Operational Committees
   a. Athletics
      Liaison: Crago
      Chair: Simmons
   b. Information Technology
      Liaison: Hurtig
      Chair: Walthour
   c. Cultural & Special Events
      Liaison: Allison
      Chair: Riess
   d. International Affairs
      Liaison: Pickett
      Chair: Crago
   e. Religious Affairs
      Liaison: Staubert
      Chair: Stauber
   f. General Education
      Liaison: Hurtig
      Chair: Hurtig

VI. Other Reports
   a. Vice-Presidents
      i. Academic Affairs
         Liaison: Crago
      ii. Financial Affairs
          Liaison: Young
      iii. University Advancement
           Liaison: Block
      iv. Admissions and Financial Aid
          Liaison: Lesick
      v. Student Affairs
         Liaison: Thompson-Bradshaw
   b. Deans
      i. Arts and Sciences
         Liaison: Albrecht
      ii. Engineering
          Liaison: Baumgartner
      iii. Pharmacy
          Liaison: Sprague
      iv. Business Administration
          Liaison: Fenton
      v. Law
         Liaison: Crago
   c. Student Senate
      Liaison: Ambos
   d. Health Services Advisory Committee
      Liaison: Young

VII. Announcements

VIII. President Comments/Questions

IX. Unfinished Business (Attachment A)
   a. Academic Affairs (Credit Articulation for Returning or Transfer Students)(Item 1)
   b. Academic Affairs (Summer Term Course Schedule for Undergraduate Students)(Item 2)
   c. Academic Affairs and General Education (Common Theme for Extra-Disciplinary Courses)(Item 3)

X. New Business (Attachment B)
   a. Academic Affairs (Credit for International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma)

XI. Adjournment
CONSTITUTIONAL AND OPERATIONAL COMMITTEES

Budget and Appropriations – Ron Beaschler  Committee met on February 16. Discussing budget revisions with tuition increase approved by Board of Trustees of 3.8%. Discussed University charges for 2012-13. Continued discussion on pay raises, amount/percentage/ across the board/merit?

Academic Affairs – John Lomax

Student Activities – Jenny Walton

Personnel – Kay Zekany  Committee, with the assistance of Tonya Paul and Nicole Heidelberg in Human Resources, is working on a proposal to move the sabbatical application process online using the system currently used for processing employment applications. In addition, Committee plans to bring two other motions to Council to enhance faculty handbook language.

Committee on Athletics – Tom Simmons

Information Technology – George Gulbis  ONU is reviewing several possible vendors as a potential replacement for the learning management software of WebCT. The IT staff arranged for representatives from Moodlerooms to come to campus on Feb. 16. The immediate feedback is positive. The goal is to have the new LMS vendor selected and in place during the summer to allow faculty time to move their course material from WebCT to the new vendor. IT has identified a possible new internet bandwidth provider that will allow ONU to increase its bandwidth with no additional costs. ONU is currently waiting to make sure this vendor meets all of the Village of Ada requirements.

Cultural and Special Events – Nils Riess

International Affairs – Clyde Pickett/Julie Hurtig

Religious Affairs – Rory Stauber

General Education – Julie Hurtig  The spring semester course information is loaded into Taskstream, the electronic portfolio software for ONU's general education plan. Faculty who are teaching a tagged general education course this spring should log in to Taskstream to verify their roster is present. (Go to the A-Z index on the main webpage for ONU and select "General Education for Faculty and Students") Artifacts can be submitted according to deadlines set by the course instructor. Evaluations of one-fourth of the submitted artifacts should be completed by the end of the term. If there are any questions, please contact Julie Hurtig. The general education committee is working to develop an automated report that will permit advisors and students to view their artifact submissions and compare that to the requirements for ONU’s general education plan. Our goal is to have it available in late March in time for advanced registration advising.

OTHER COMMITTEES

Student Senate – Eric Ambos  Student Senate is actively at work filling the Housing Representative positions that have been left vacant by those who have accepted cabinet positions in the new administration. Additionally, work has continued on finalizing candidates for the Continuous Achievement Scholarship (CAS). The application deadline was extended until early February both to give students a chance to apply and to gain a greater amount of students in the applicant pool. The winners will be selected by March 19th and will be recognized on Honors Day.

Health Services Advisory Committee – Roger Young
1. Credit Articulation for transfer or returning students

Recommend the following modification to the motion previously presented at the Feb. 7 council meeting. The deletions are noted by strikethrough, and replacements by underline:

I. A student who returns to ONU may automatically apply to his or her degree requirements a course that the student has completed at ONU if the following two conditions are satisfied:
   a. The course or a close equivalent exists in the current university catalog.
   b. No more than 6 years have elapsed since the student completed the course, with a grade of C or higher and the grade of the course meets the degree requirements.

II. A student who transfers to ONU may automatically apply to his or her degree requirements a course that the student has completed at another college or university if the following two conditions are satisfied:
   a. The course exists in the current ONU articulation catalog.
   b. No more than 6 years have elapsed since the student completed the course with a grade of C or higher.

III. Any course completed more than 6 years before its application to a degree program at ONU is subject to review and approval by the dean of the college that offers the course or its equivalent at ONU.

Rationale: The previous wording did not accommodate areas that accept a D for a degree requirement.

ONU currently does not have a policy regarding age of courses taken by students when they are returning or transferring to one of ONU’s degree programs. Currently, if a course is in ONU’s articulation catalog, it can transfer to the degree program without review by the dean. Due to a recent situation in A&S with a 20-year old course credit, Academic Affairs recommends we tighten that policy to state that within 6 years of the completion of the course, the registrar’s office can automatically process the articulations if found in the catalog. However, after six years, the courses should be reviewed by the dean’s office of that subject area.

2. Summer Session Scheduling of Course Meetings

- Summer session 1 runs from May 29 through June 29, and session 2 runs July 2 through Aug. 3.
- Each session includes 24 working days (22 for instruction and 2 for final examinations).
- Days 1-22 would be instructional days with the time slots being scheduled: 8-9:40, 10-11:40, 1-00-2:40, and 3:00-4:40.
- Day 23 would be the morning class examinations and Day 24 would be the afternoon examinations.
- Laboratories can schedule across multiple time slots as need be. Instructors of four-credit lecture courses should speak with the registrar to appropriately schedule across two adjacent time slots. Evening courses are possible, likely 6:30 – 8:10 p.m. on days 1-22 of the semester session.

Rationale: ONU has moved to semesters and Summer 2012 is the first time for the semester courses to run in the summer semester format. This schedule allows for the same number of lecture minutes as found in the Fall and Spring terms, in addition to supporting the 2.5 hour final examination requirement as well.

3. Extradisciplinary Seminar Theme

The Academic Affairs and the General Education Committees propose the theme of globalization for the extradisciplinary seminars in 2012-13.
1. International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma

A student may receive 15 hours of credit for the completion of the International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma. In addition, a student may receive credit for individual scores ranging from 5 to 7 on the higher level IB examinations, for a total of no greater than 30 hours of AP, IB, CLEP, PEP, or institutional examination credit.

Rationale: Currently, students receive credit for individual IB higher level examinations with scores ranging from 5-7. (See the registrar’s website.) No consideration is given for students who complete the International Baccalaureate diploma. The diploma does not necessarily require the individual examinations. The College of A&S dean’s office identified various Ohio and aspirational school policies for IB diplomas and recommended the above policy.