Minutes, February 5, 2013

Roll: (Absentees Underlined) President Daniel DiBiasio, VP David Crago, VP William Ballard, VP Ken Block, VP Larry Lesick, VP Adriane Thompson-Bradshaw, Dean Catherine Albrecht, Dean Eric Baumgartner, Dean Jon Sprague, Dean James Fenton, Interim Dean Stephen Veltri, Chaplain David MacDonald, Dr. Alisa Agozzino, Dr. Jeffery Allison, Dr. Khalid Al-Olimat, Dr. Rob Alexander, Mr. Eric Ambos, Dr. Joanne Brant, Dr. Bob Carrothers, Prof. Jennifer Donley, Dr. Howard Fenton, Dr. Lou Lobenhofer, Dr. John Jay Mager, Dr. David Mikesell, Prof. Sue Montenery, Dr. Michelle Musser, Dr. Brian Myers, Dr. Kristie Payment, Dr. Ronald Peterson, Dr. Susan Schertzer, Dr. Sandy Schroeder, Dr. Jenny Walton, Dr. Dexter Woods

Jeffery Allison, Vice Chair of Council, called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. in Dicke Hall 230.

I. Minutes of December 4, 2012 meeting approved as distributed.

II. Reports from Constitutional Committees
   a. Budget & Appropriations: Committee met last week. They are looking at projections for next year and will have more information after the trustee meeting.
   b. Academic Affairs: Committee met today. They are taking action on a couple of agenda items that will go before Council at the next meeting.
   c. Student Activities: Committee will meet within the next couple of weeks. There are a few student organizations pending, and one is moving through Senate right now.
   d. Personnel: Conversations around salary recommendations have begun.

III. Reports from Operational Committees
   a. Athletics: Meeting tomorrow. Women’s basketball has won 19 games in a row. They are 6th in the country and are having an extraordinary season.
   b. Information Technology: Committee met recently to discuss a variety of things, including the proposed abandonment of Luminis and other preliminary policy matters. No action yet, just discussion. Brian Myers asked whether or not Luminis is definitely going away, and Lou Lobenhofer verified that it is definitely going away. Julie Hurtig asked that if anyone has identified something that cannot be done in Self-Service Banner but can be done in Luminis, to let them know, because it is meant to have the same functionality. David Mikesell asked if the utilities located under the Information Technology tab on Luminis can be found elsewhere, and Traci Welch Moritz verified that they are now located on Information Technology’s main webpage.
   c. Cultural & Special Events: Committee meeting on Friday.
   d. International Affairs: No additional report.
   e. Religious Affairs: Interviews will begin shortly for chapel staff.
   f. General Education: Report included in the agenda. In addition, the spring Taskstream assignments will be uploaded tonight, now that the students have been locked in for spring semester.

VI. Other Reports
   a. Vice-Presidents
      i. Academic Affairs: The search for Tammy Bash’s replacement has concluded and the university will welcome Melanie Hough in April as the new registrar. At the Faculty Meeting it was discussed how to deal with the Higher Learning Commission reports. As a result, groups have mostly been assigned, except for a few that the President will be finalizing soon.
      ii. Financial Affairs: They have been working on the Board meeting. There is a lot of information concerning tuition setting and the consequences, and the President’s informal conversation invitation includes additional information. They are working on getting the monthly operating
iii. University Advancement: Karla Geise has resigned from the Alumni Affairs office. In light of this, they will be looking at the department and how they would like it to be structured in the future.

iv. Admissions and Financial Aid: Applications are up for every college except Pharmacy. There are 22 pharmacy colleges in the pipeline to be opened in the next few years. Freshman applications for Arts & Sciences, Engineering, and Business are up. They are also looking at similar colleges in Ohio to see how they are doing, and noted that a couple of colleges are working with a consultant to boost application numbers. Still do not know the status of University of Dayton’s applications, and that is where ONU usually compares numbers. Overall, the private sector is down 2%. Acceptances are down because of incomplete applications. The department is encouraging campus visits because it helps to get the students here. Financial aid will be starting soon. Wittenberg has frozen their tuition and Moody’s has downgraded them to junk bond status. Their deficit is close to 9 million and they are laying off faculty. UD has also frozen their tuition, and other schools have implemented a four-year graduation agreement. Since July, ONU has lost 5 admissions counselors, which is half of the admissions staff. As a result, the remaining staff has only 23 years of recruiting experience, which is problematic.

v. Student Affairs: LaShonda Gurley has started as the Director of Multicultural Development. Adriane Thompson-Bradshaw thanked everyone who helped with that search. A committee has been formed for the Disability Services position and it will be advertised soon. The Career Services job description is currently being finalized.

b. Deans

i. Arts and Sciences: The Freed Center will present “Suicide in B Flat” this week from February 7th-10th. CAATE (Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education) will be on campus next week.

ii. Engineering: No report.

iii. Pharmacy: No report.


The DCBA conducts four student-employer networking events per year. These events are typically held in major cities in the State of Ohio. These events are meant to enhance job placement for our seniors. The next scheduled event will take place on February 6 at the Troy Country Club and will attract 20 employers in and around Dayton. Approximately 30 DCBA students will travel to the event to interact with the assembled employers.

On February 15, in the McIntosh Ballroom at 6:30 p.m., the DCBA will conduct its Pinnacle Award ceremony preceded by dinner. The DCBA Pinnacle Award was created to recognize significant, sustained giving of time, treasure and talent by alumni, faculty and friends of the College and University. This year the awards will be presented to: John Bishop, Cheryl Cotner, Robert Gronlund, Clay Mathile, Dr. Richard Meininger, Robert Kerscher, and Oscar Mifsud.

The DCBA, with assistance from alumnus and trustee Larry Boord, is working with an advisory board made up of DCBA faculty, prominent Ohio based ERISA practice attorneys, certified public accountants, and in-field consultants to create a development program for fiduciaries associated with health and welfare programs, including pension plans and investment instruments such as mutual funds. This two day fiduciary development program is being initiated to provide alternative revenue opportunities for both the College and the University. It is also the College's objective that it be a reputation enhancer. The plan is for the program to be delivered both on the ONU campus and in major cities in the U.S. at a minimum of one per month to an audience of 50 participants (max). The first program is being planned for mid May 2013 to be delivered in Dicke Hall.

v. Law: The College of Law lost Remus Brice, a 3L, in an auto accident on January 25th. Steve Veltri thanked Adriane Thompson-Bradshaw for her help with the situation. There was a vigil
last night to honor Remus. This Thursday Kevin Lee will talk about lawyers as public citizens and how technology is changing the law field.

c. Student Senate: The application period for the Continuous Achievement Scholarship has closed and considerations will begin to select one recipient from each undergraduate college. There were 70 applications submitted this year, which is a year-over-year increase of almost 200 percent. Student Senate elections for College Representatives and President-Vice President took place last Wednesday through Friday. New college representatives will take office February 13, while the president and vice president will take office February 24.

d. Health Services Advisory Committee: No report.

VII. Chair/Faculty Comments: None.

VIII. President Comments/Questions: Jeffrey Allison spoke in the President’s absence: The President thanks everyone for their response to the informal conversation invitations. He is looking forward to the meetings. There will be about 15 meetings and 15 in each group. In response to David Mikesell’s question concerning the percentage of faculty invited, it was clarified that 100% were invited.

IX. Unfinished Business: None.

X. New Business: None.

XI. Announcements: Julie Hurtig announced that two visiting scholars from Beihua University in China will be on campus in 2013 under the invite of Rob Alexander. They are Yangli Ou and Wenduo Zhao and they are related to Hui Shen in Mechanical Engineering. They will be available for cultural conversations and questions concerning their areas of expertise: Yangli’s area of expertise is Chinese Politics with a focus on Public Administration, and Wenduo’s is Modern Chinese History.

XII. Adjournment at 5:56.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jennifer Donley, Secretary