Minutes of the March 9, 2010 Meeting

I. President Baker called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

II. Invocation was offered by Dr. Julie Hurtig.

III. Minutes from February 16, 2010 were approved as submitted.

IV. Unfinished Business: None.

V. Questions for the President
   a. Dr. Baker reported on a recent trip to meet with alumni in Florida. He was accompanied by about a dozen student representatives, and held four meetings plus several dinners and other special events.
   b. ONU alumnus Bob Peterson (BSME, ’83), co-writer and co-director of the academy-award winning animated film “Up”, will be on campus Monday, March 15 for the Spotts Lecture.
   c. Dr. Baker reported on the successes of several student athletes. Luke Miller, a Junior Civil Engineering major, won the Division III National Championship in wrestling in the 157-pound class, while maintaining the second highest GPA of any Division III wrestler in the county. Kyle Simmons, a junior mechanical engineering major, was selected as the top offensive back in the OAC. Senior mathematics major Kyle Meyer was named the Ohio Athletic Conference Men's Basketball Player of the Year.
   d. ONU is beginning a formal planning process for development of the village of Ada. Dillin Corporation will work with the village and the university to develop a residential and commercial plan. The community is a critical aspect of the future development of the university. Dillin developed Levis Commons in Toldeo, and has other projects in Colorado, Virginia and abroad. Faculty may be invited to participate in focus groups. The cost of the Dillin contract will be $60,000, with an additional $20,000 to be spent on developing artist renderings of possible concepts. This is still well below the $100,000 fee that seems to be typical for this type of consultation. In addition to members of the University community, the process will include significant participation from residents of Ada.
   e. Concerned was raised about a perceived reduction in services provided by the Student Health clinic. VP Thompson-Bradshaw responded that there has been a staffing shortage due to the retirement of the nursing supervisor this fall. However, on-call procedures have not changed for many years, and Dr. Tran has recently added evening and weekend hours.

VI. University Council:
   a. Council will meet next Tuesday. Several recent actions were included as attachments to the agenda of this meeting.

VII. Reports of Constitutional Committees
   b. Academic Affairs – No report.
   c. Student Activities – The committee met on Feb. 24 to evaluate proposals for new student organizations.
   d. Personnel – No report.

VIII. Reports of Operational Committees
   a. Committee on Athletics – A high school basketball tournament will be taking place on campus Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday of this week.
   b. Cultural and Special Events – No report.
   c. International Affairs – The committee will meet this week to review applications for the Shuhaibar scholarships.
   d. Religious Affairs – No report.
   e. Information Technology – On Wednesday, March 17 a training program will be held for the Illuminate video online instruction software. Since Illuminate will be used to provide the
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...training, faculty may attend from their offices. Questions can be directed to George Gulbis or Heather Caprette.

IX. Other Reports: None.

X. New Business: None.

XI. Announcements:
   a. Dr. Hurtig reviewed the implications of the 2008 Higher Education Opportunity Act. Beginning July 1, ONU will be required to publish the ISBN and price of all textbooks used before students register for classes. Since it will take time for the bookstore to obtain pricing information from publishers, it is essential that instructors provide textbook lists to the bookstore in a timely manner.
   b. Dr. Baker announced that the ONU Dicke College of Business Administration is included in the latest Business Week listing of the top 111 undergraduate business programs in the US. Ohio Northern was ranked 72nd overall and received an A+ in the “Teaching Quality Grade” category.

XII. The meeting adjourned at 4:41 pm.

Submitted by,

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Secretary