

THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE

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Knoxville, Tennessee

The Academic Affairs and Student Success Committee of the Board of Trustees of The University of Tennessee met at 8:30 a.m. EDT, Thursday, June 25, 2015, in Hollingsworth Auditorium on the campus of The University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture in Knoxville.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Vicky Gregg called the meeting to order.

II. ROLL CALL

Dr. Katie High called the roll.

The following committee members and faculty/student representatives were present:

Ms. Dina Ali
Mr. Jalen Blue
Dr. Susan Davidson
Dr. Joseph DiPietro
Dr. Martin Donaldson
Dr. Brian Donavant
Mr. John Foy
Mr. Will Freeman
Dr. David Golden
Ms. Vicky Gregg, Chair
Dr. Joanne Hall
Commissioner Julius Johnson
Mr. John Keny
Mr. Brad Lampley
Mr. Jim Murphy
Ms. Rhedona Rose

Ms. Miranda Rutan
Ms. Hannah Turcotte
Ms. Julia Wells

The following were absent:

Dr. Russ Deaton
Commissioner Candice McQueen
Ms. Shikha Patel
Mr. Charles Walker
Ms. Rachel Wolters

Dr. High announced the presence of a quorum of the voting members of the Committee. Other Trustees, administrative staff, members of the public, and representatives of the media were also present.

III. OPENING REMARKS BY COMMITTEE CHAIR

Chair Gregg welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked the new Trustees and the faculty and student representatives to introduce themselves.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of Last Meeting
- B. 2015 Comprehensive Listing of Academic Programs (Exhibit 1)
- C. Authorization to Confer Degrees
- D. Program of Study Leading to the Degree of Master of Social Work at UT Chattanooga (Exhibit 2)
- E. Program of Study Leading to the Degree of Master of Interior Design at UT Chattanooga (Exhibit 3)
- F. Program of Study Leading to the Degree of Master of Science in Interior Design at UT Chattanooga (Exhibit 4)
- G. Program of Study Leading to the Degree of Entomology, Plant Pathology, Nematology at UT Knoxville (Exhibit 5)
- H. Program of Study Leading to the Degree of Doctor of Public Health at UT Knoxville (Exhibit 6)
- I. Report of Faculty Promotions – For Information Only (Exhibit 7)

Chair Gregg referred the Committee to the Consent Agenda and asked if any member wished to have an item removed from the Consent Agenda. Hearing no requests to remove an item, the Chair Gregg called for a motion to approve the

Consent Agenda. The motion was made by Trustee Foy, seconded by Trustee Lampley, and the Consent Agenda was approved.

V. DIVERSITY ADVISORY COUNCIL UPDATE

Chair Gregg introduced Dean Noma Anderson, of the UT Health Science Center and Co-chair of the council, who then presented the update.

Trustee Driver commended Dr. Anderson on the work of the Council. He then suggested that the Council look into the work being done by the State of Tennessee in regard to purchasing practices.

There was no further discussion.

VI. UT KNOXVILLE FACULTY HANDBOOK REVISIONS REGARDING OUTREACH, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, AND EXTENSION

Chair Gregg introduced the item, then asked Provost Susan Martin to present the changes to the UTK Faculty Handbook (Exhibit 8).

There was no discussion, following the presentation.

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the item. Trustee Wells seconded, and the motion carried.

President DiPietro commended the effort.

VII. UT KNOXVILLE FACULTY HANDBOOK REVISIONS REGARDING FACULTY-STUDENT RELATIONSHIPS

Chair Gregg introduced the item, and then asked Provost Susan Martin to present the changes to the UTK Faculty Handbook (Exhibit 9).

There was a brief discussion of the UTK Faculty Handbook as it pertains to the role of faculty in advising students.

Chair Gregg entertained a motion. Trustee Lampley made the motion to approve, and it was seconded by Trustee Golden. The motion carried.

VIII. AMENDMENT OF THE HONOR CODE RULE FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER

Chair Gregg introduced the item, and asked Matthew Scoggins, Deputy General Counsel, to present each of the changes (Exhibit 10).

Mr. Scoggins briefly described the changes.

Chair Gregg then asked for a motion to approve the amendment of Chapter 1720-03-01 of the Rules of the University of Tennessee for the UT Health Science Center. Trustee Foy made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Rose, and the motion carried.

IX. AMENDMENT OF THE STUDENT CONDUCT RULES - ACTION/FULL BOARD ROLL CALL VOTE

- A. UT Chattanooga Student Conduct Rule
- B. UT Health Science Center Student Conduct Rule
- C. UT Knoxville Student Conduct Rule
- D. UT Martin Student Conduct Rule

Chair Gregg asked Dr. Katie High to introduce the item. Mr. Matthew Scoggins presented the changes to each of the campus Student Conduct Rules.

Chair Gregg asked for four separate motions and votes to approve each campus change.

Trustees Blue and Golden moved and seconded to approve the amendment of Chapter 1720-02-05 of the Rules of The University of Tennessee to incorporate revisions to the student conduct rules of The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. The motion carried. (Exhibit 11)

Trustees Foy and Rose moved and seconded to approve the amendment of Chapter 1720-03-03 of the Rules of The University of Tennessee to incorporate revisions to the student conduct rules of The University of Tennessee Health Science Center. The motion carried. (Exhibit 12)

Trustees Wells and Foy moved and seconded to approve the amendment of Chapter 1720-04-03 of the Rules of The University of Tennessee to incorporate

revisions to the student conduct rules of The University of Tennessee, Knoxville. The motion carried. (Exhibit 13)

Trustees Donavant and Blue moved and seconded to approve the amendment of Chapter 1720-05-01 of the Rules of The University of Tennessee to incorporate revisions to the student conduct rules of The University of Tennessee at Martin. The motion carried. (Exhibit 14)

X. UT CHATTANOOGA STRATEGIC PLAN

Chair Gregg introduced the item and invited Chancellor Steve Angle to present the Strategic Plan (Exhibit 15).

There was brief discussion, following Chancellor Angle's presentation, regarding financial support from the business community in Chattanooga.

There was further discussion regarding the culture of the campus, and reception of the plan from the campus community.

Trustees Foy and Rose moved and seconded to approve. The motion carried.

XI. TENURE RECOMMENDATIONS

Chair Gregg introduced the item and asked Dr. High to present. Dr. High presented the item and provided a full description of the tenure process for a typical faculty member.

Dr. High then presented the list (Exhibit 16) to the committee for their review and approval.

Trustee Lampley moved to approve and Trustee Golden seconded the motion to grant tenure. The motion carried.

XII. PRESENTATION BY TENNESSEE DRIVE TO 55 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MIKE KRAUSE

Chair Gregg announced the final item on the agenda and asked Dr. High to introduce the item and presenter, Mike Krause.

Dr. High provided background information and introduced Mike Krause.

Mike Krause then shared a timely update on the Drive to 55 initiative (Exhibit 17). A discussion of the Drive to 55 and the culture of higher education in the State of Tennessee followed the presentation. The committee requested that Mr. Krause be invited back in order to keep the committee updated on the initiative.

XIII. OTHER BUSINESS

President DiPietro introduced Dr. Robert Smith, Interim Chancellor of UT Martin.

Dr. High recognized the retirement of Dr. Cheryl Scheid, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at the UT Health Science Center, and then welcomed Dr. Scheid's replacement, Dr. Lori Gonzalez.

There was no further business.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 am EDT.

Respectfully Submitted,



Katherine N. High
Vice President for Academic
Affairs and Student Success