

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 University of Tennessee Board of Trustees met at 8:30 a.m. EDT, Friday, October 3, 2014, 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
Dr. Susan Davidson
Dr. Joe DiPietro
Mr. John Domanski
Dr. Martin Donaldson
Dr. Brian Donavant
Mr. Brian Ferguson (voting)
Mr. Robert Fisher
Mr. John Foy (voting)
Dr. David Golden
Dr. Joanne Hall
Commissioner Julius Johnson (voting)
Ms. Kelsey Keny
Mr. Brad Lampley (voting)
Ms. Bonnie Lynch (voting)

Dr. Richard Rhoda
Ms. Rhedona Rose (voting)
Ms. Jessica Welch
Ms. Julia Wells (voting)
Mr. Chris Wilson
Dr. Thad Wilson (voting)

The following were absent:

Mr. R.J. Duncan
Ms. Laura Duncan
Commissioner Kevin Huffman (voting)
Mr. David Surmick

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 the group to the meeting, recognizing newly appointed Trustees Rose and Wells. Each of the new student and faculty representatives introduced themselves to the committee.

IV. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Chair Gregg pointed out a correction needed in the June minutes. Ms. Jessica Welch was in attendance at the June meeting, but was not listed in the minutes. No other changes were made.

Trustee Foy moved to approve the corrected minutes. Trustee Lampley seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

V. GRANT OF TENURE TO SIX UT KNOXVILLE FACULTY MEMBERS UNDER EXPEDITED PROCEDURES

Dr. High presented the recommendation that six members of the UT Knoxville faculty be granted tenure under expedited procedures. Commissioner Johnson moved that tenure be granted to: (1) Julie Andsager in her faculty appointment in the Department of Journalism and Electronic Media; (2) Islam El-adawy in his faculty appointment in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering;

(3) Colleen Jonsson in her faculty appointment in the Department of Microbiology; (4) Richard L. Pacelle, Jr. in his faculty appointment in the Department of Political Science; (5) John David Schmisser in his faculty appointment in the Department of Mechanical, Aerospace and Biomedical Engineering; and (6) Mr. Jason Young in his faculty appointment in the College of Architecture and Design (Exhibit 1). Trustee Lampley seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

VI. GRANT OF TENURE TO AN INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE FACULTY MEMBER UNDER EXPEDITED PROCEDURES

Dr. High presented the recommendation. Trustee Wilson moved that tenure be granted to David W. Hughes in his faculty appointment in the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at The University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture (Exhibit 2). Trustee Wells seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

VII. UT KNOXVILLE TRANSFER ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Dr. High introduced the item and asked UT Knoxville Provost, Dr. Susan Martin, to further explain the policy. A brief discussion followed.

Trustee Lampley moved that the Board approve the new UT Knoxville transfer admission requirements as presented in the meeting materials (Exhibit 3). Trustee Foy seconded, and the policy was approved.

VIII. UT KNOXVILLE UNDERGRADUATE RECRUITMENT AND ADMISSIONS PROCESS

Chair Gregg introduced Kari Alldredge, Director of Admissions, to present the "Big Orange Movement" in Admissions and Recruitment (Exhibit 4).

A brief discussion followed, and Dr. DiPietro commended Kari on the work of the Admissions office.

IX. FALL ENROLLMENT REPORT (PRELIMINARY)

Chair Gregg introduced Dr. Hengstler to present the preliminary report on Fall enrollment (Exhibit 5).

A discussion followed as several questions were raised in regard to implications of the Tennessee Promise initiative. Additional concerns were mentioned in regard to stipends for graduate students and diversity initiatives on the campuses.

X. UT KNOXVILLE SMART COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE

Chair Gregg introduced Dr. Sally McMillan, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, and Dr. Kelly Ellenberg, Campus Coordinator for Service Learning, to present the initiative (Exhibit 6). A brief discussion followed.

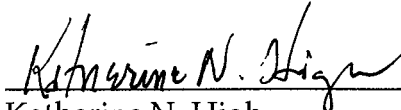
XII. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Foy moved to adjourn the meeting, and Trustee Ferguson seconded the motion. Chair Gregg adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Vice President for Academic
Affairs and Student Success