

NOTES
UVI Senate Meeting
NOVEMBER 14, 2014
EVC 401/BUS 110

Meeting called to order by UVI Senate Chair R. Silver at 1:12 pm

NB - RS: Ms. Dannica Thomas, who does roll call and takes minutes of meeting is on emergency family leave; UVI Senate Chair did roll call and minutes of this meeting.

PRESENT: Senators Dayle Barry, Marvin Shelford, Raquel Silver, Yohance Henley, Camille McKayle-Stolz, David Hall, Frank Mills, Shirley Lake-King, Una Dyer
Senator Haldane Davis present during roll call; excused due to an emergency

EXCUSED: Senators Aracelis Francs, Bernard Castillo, Cherie Wheatley, Jeanette Ferdinand, Lois Sanders, Nereida Washington

UNEXCUSED: Senators Dahlia George, Donna Nemeth, Doris Battiste, Maria Fleming, Mitchell Neaves, Nicole Gibbs, Stephan Moore, Tina Koopmans

Quorum

Quorum of 7 voting UVI senators not met (only 4 voting senators present)

Approval of October 20, 2014 meeting minutes

Not available – Senate Chair Silver will distribute upon receipt from Ms. Thomas; will request electronic approval.

Affirmation Ceremony

Student Government Association (SGA) representatives on the UVI Senate – Yohance Henley and Marvin Shelford – affirmed by Sen. Hall.

Matters arising

Graduate student representation on the UVI Senate

SGA's on both campuses have selected their respective representatives on the UVI Senate (2 on each campus). At the present time, graduate students are not members of SGA; Sen. McKayle to work with Dr. James Maddirala, the new Associate Provost for Graduate Global and Academic Affairs, in organizing graduate students as a group; Senate bylaws can be revised to include graduate students.

President Updates

Career Advancement Policy (CAP) and Bonuses

- CAP, approved in June 2014 Board of Trustees' (BOT) meeting, implemented, along with the \$1,000 bonus (from endowment fund) given to staff not affected by the CAP.
Administration and Finance acknowledged by Sen. Hall for the staff's hard work and dedication in expediting the process.

- Proposed Medical School accreditation process - moving forward. Deadline for submission of documents - December 1. Special BOT meeting scheduled for November 17 to approve documents to be submitted.
- Architectural firm – Springline (local firm) and Beck (national firm) - selected for the design of classrooms in STT and simulation center in AAS/STX.
- STT - classrooms above tennis courts (near the old Finance and Admin Building); in AAS – where tents are put up for graduation

October 25 BOT Meeting

- Approved 5% increase in tuition effective Fall 2015.
- Approved disposal of two timeshare properties gifted to the University.
- Change in 2015 commencements exercises – earlier in the week – May 2015 and early start time of 1:30 pm
- President’s Appreciation Award presented to Access and Enrollment Services (accepted by Sen. Gibbs/Dr. X. Allen) for “increasing freshman enrollment”
- KPI’s presented (NB - RS: <http://www.uvi.edu/research/institutional-research-and-planning/default.aspx> is website where KPI’s are centralized)
- Approved lists of honorary degree recipients and commencement speakers for 2015.

Others

- Issue of 26 vs 27 pay period for 2015 has not been resolved. President to meet with UVI Staff Council to address this issue.
- Presidential goals – can be shared through request to President

Provost’s Report

Personnel Announcements

- Dr. David Santesteban - new head coach of soccer on the AAS/STX; has PhD in Sports Administration(U of NM) and Master's Degree in Physical Education (Cal State/Fresno); UVI soccer team made play-offs; great example of integrating academics and athletics in meaningful way.
- Mr. Myron Brown - new head coach for basketball, and Instructor of Physical Education; Master's degree in Secondary Education, and a B.S. in English; coached basketball at the collegiate level for a number of years.
- Dr. James Maddirala – new Associate Provost for Graduate Global and Academic Affairs; PhD from the University of Oregon; has served in various capacities at Jackson State University, where he was Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Student Life, was in charge of international programs with initiatives in Africa, South America and Asia; founding executive director of an accelerated PhD in Higher Education.

Road to PhD process

- First MOU’s signed for formal collaboration – as part of HBCU consortium (currently 56 institutions involved). International opportunities for faculty and students – India, China and Brazil – for PhD programs; preliminary proposals being requested (leadership and sustainability); final proposals due in February 2015; framework for PhD program being developed
- Master Professor Program – being implemented this fall
- A group working with Dr. Kimarie Engerman – Provost Fellow – looking at student evaluation electronically (through Center for Student Success).

UVI Next

Sen. Hall reported in capacity as Chair of the UVINext Implementation Taskforce. Members are Sens. McKayle, Lake-King, Koopmans, Mills, Silver (UVISC Chair/UVI Senate Chair) and Dr. S. Ketchum (Faculty Chair). Taskforce has been meeting at the beginning of the academic year (every Monday). Taskforce is to implement BOT-approved recommendations submitted by consultants. Currently evaluating programs/services on scrutiny list.

Unfinished Business

Ipads given to voting UVI Senators

- Sen. Silver went on record to resolve this issue. 3 UVI Senate meetings have been held early in the year (Jan, February and March); no resolution. 12 Ipads purchased during the term of the first UVI Senate Chair (A. Scott-Elliott). To-date, Sen, Silver accounted for six: Sens. Silver, Fleming and Castillo still have the Ipads; former Senators Harkins-Pierre and Morgan are awaiting assistance from IT to clean out the Ipads: Sen. Silver has former student senator's (D. Henry) Ipad. Sen. Dyer accounted for 5 Ipads currently in the Office of the President. Sen. Silver to contact Sen. Koopmans about these 5 Ipads.
- One former UVI Senator – a student – did not turn in the Ipad when his term was up (N.B - CLARICATION BY R. SILVER – upon checking my email - student mentioned in this meeting was not the student rep at that time). Direction to pursue: Sen. Silver will try and locate the senator; write letter (cc President and Robert Chen) requesting return of UVI property or consequences will apply.
- SUMMARY: Eleven (11) Ipads can be accounted for.
- Sen. Silver will share policy developed by a committee – comprised of Sens. Wheatley, Castillo and Francis – review and discussion will be tabled in next meeting

Next meeting

Sen. Silver will canvass members for another meeting date as next meeting – December 12 – Finals.

Adjournment

Moved by Sen. Hall, seconded by Sen. Mills – 1:59 PM