

3/2/18 Administrative Council Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Nick Adams, Dr. Sheila Adams, Dr. David Brooking, Sirena Cantrell, Karen Clay, Lee Crouse, James Denney, Lynn Dobbs, Aisha Ghimire, Dr. Amber Handy, Jessica Harpole, Dr. Marty Hatton, Dr. Holly Krogh, Melinda Lowe, Carla Lowery, Lisa McDaniel, Jennifer Moore, Dr. Jennifer Miles, Nora Miller, Andrew Moneymaker, Shelley Moss, Nicole Patrick, Anika Perkins, Amanda Powers, Dr. Tom Richardson, Rita Robinson, Ginger Smith, Susan Sobley, Andrea Stevens, Randy Vibrock, Dr. Kim Whitehead, and Ken Widner

In the absence of Dr. Jim Borsig, Dr. Tom Richardson called the meeting to order.

Minutes -

Following a motion by Lee Crouse and a second by Carla Lowery, the minutes from the February 2018 meeting were approved.

University Update –

Nora Miller said there is an IHL legislative update call this morning, so more may be known about the legislation they are following after the call. The bond bills are going along nicely, and it seems the legislature will make a 2-year commitment. Projects Ms. Miller said The W will do with bond money are the Culinary Arts building project, taking down Taylor and Keirn halls, other R&R projects, and boilers for south campus residence halls.

Ms. Miller reported that a presentation was given at the last IHL Board meeting about the funding formula. They ran four alternatives, and The W would do well with any of the four scenarios. Ms. Miller noted that an increase in appropriations would help with the 3% salary pool, but reallocation of funds within the university's budget would still be necessary to fund this project.

She said the IHL system is still closely following the proposed legislation about weapons. She said it looks like the bill will allow the IHL Presidents to decide as a group what areas on the university campuses would be restricted for those with the concealed carry permits.

Also, Ms. Miller noted that the PIE Council met last week and approved the university's budget priorities. She said the budget sheets will go out next week and that budget managers will be asked to tie all budget requests to the budget priorities. The goal is to have the process completed by the end of March.

Faculty Senate Update –

Lee Crouse announced that Faculty Senate will meet today.

Staff Council Update –

Nick Adams said Staff Council will meet next week.

SGA Update –

Aisha Ghimire said SGA conducted a survey with residence hall students about the proposed meal plan, and 94% were in favor of the new plan. She also said SGA hosted a student activity fee event on February 28 to help students become more aware of what the student activity fee is for. She said this idea will be tabled because of the low participation in the student activity fee survey.

Other Updates –

Dr. Tom Richardson reminded the group of the many events on campus, including the Music by Women festival this weekend.

Andrea Stevens also pointed out that Homecoming is set for March 22-25, and she thanked all those who have assisted with the planning of this important weekend.

Policies –

Following a motion by Amanda Powers and second by Dr. Marty Hatton, the Administrative Council voted to accept PS 5501 (Identification Cards) into the review process.