

8/3/18 Administrative Council Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Nick Adams, Dr. Brian Anderson, Dr. Mark Bean, Dr. David Brooking, Steven McCorkle for Ashley Chisolm, Karen Clay, Lynn Dobbs, Rodney Godfrey, Dave Haffly, Melissa Parsons for Glen Halbert, Dr. Amber Handy, Jessica Harpole, Dr. Marty Hatton, Greg Hunley, Melinda Lowe, Carla Lowery, Dr. Tammie McCoy, Lisa McDaniel, Jennifer Moore, Dr. Jennifer Miles, Andrew Moneymaker, Shelley Moss, Nicole Patrick, Rita Robinson, Susan Sobley, Andrea Stevens, Dr. Scott Tollison, Jason Trufant, Randy Vibrock, Dr. Kim Whitehead, Ken Widner, and Brandy Williams.

In the absence of President Nora Miller, Dr. Scott Tollison called the meeting to order.

Minutes -

Following a motion by Karen Clay and a second by Andrea Stevens, the minutes from the July 2018 meeting were approved.

University Update –

Dr. Tollison mentioned that the university would start a Leadership Academy, and he has asked Dr. Marty Hatton to chair a working group to plan it. Dr. Hatton said the Leadership Academy would take place on seven Friday afternoons during the academic year, would include a mix of topics, and would include a group project that would be beneficial to the university and a good experience to the individuals. He added that the application process would be competitive and that participation would involve an investment of time.

Faculty Senate Update –

No report.

Staff Council Update –

Nick Adams announced that the next Staff Council meeting is set for September 5. Greg Hunley will attend to give a report on the many benefits faculty and staff members receive at the university. Mr. Adams said the meeting will be open to all staff and he hopes there will be good attendance with open dialogue.

SGA Update –

No report.

Move-In Day –

Andrew Moneymaker distributed copies of the Move-In Day flier. He said that 565 students have been assigned to the residence halls. Athletes and some others will move in early and then serve as volunteers on Move-In Day, which is set for August 18 beginning at 9 a.m. More volunteers are needed. He also said something different this year will be that those with nothing to drop off at the residence halls will be directed to the parking lot in front of Pohl Gym.

Blues Week –

Jessica Harpole distributed copies of the Blues Week schedule. Blues Week is set for August 18-24. She said Student Life will encourage all students to download the W mobile app as additional events will be posted on the app that are not listed on the main flier.

Other Updates –

Dave Haffly mentioned that the Lowndes County emergency drill will be held on September 6. It won't be held on campus this year, but he said more than 100 nursing students will participate. Mr. Haffly said he will send out more information soon.

Dr. Mark Bean said he and Carla Lowery recently attended an important SACS meeting about the university's upcoming 5th Year Report. Ms. Lowery added that the department assessment plans that will be due next spring will be very important because they will be used in the SACS 5th Year Report.

Dr. David Brooking announced that Harrison Scott Key, author of "World's Largest Man," the university's common read book, will speak during Blues Week on August 19 at 6 p.m. in Nissan Auditorium.

Ms. Harpole reported that orientation will now be handled by the Student Success Center, and she said Career Services is moving to Student Life.