

MAY 19, 2020 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS:

EC Members Present: Tim Gallagher, Sue Doe, Stephanie Clemons, Jason Bruemmer, Susan James, Carole Makela, Linda Meyer, Antonio Pedros-Gascon, William Sanford, Melinda Smith,

Also Present: Rich Miranda, Brad Goetz

Tim Gallagher called the meeting to order at 3 PM. States that this may be the last meeting of the year.

I. Minutes to be Approved

A. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – May 12, 2020 (pp. 2-3)

No corrections to the minutes. Approved by unanimous consent. [Sue Doe notes after the meeting that the May 12 minutes are actually not in the packet. Where ARE they? They were submitted! These will need to be sent out to the EC for review]

II. Items Pending/Discussion Items

A. *Announcements*

1. Next Executive Committee Meeting TBD

B. *Action Items*

UCC meeting minutes – May 1, 2020 (pp. 32-38); May 8, 2020 (sent by separate attachment)

Clemons moves, Bruemmer 2nds. Both sets of minutes are unanimously approved.

1. Discuss details for the June 16 Special Faculty Council Teams meeting with President McConnell.

Gallagher reports that many members of the Faculty Council are articulating support for this meeting. The announcement of this meeting goes out to voting and non-voting members (includes deans and others) and many of these individuals are indicating they wish to attend the meeting. Gallagher invites the EC to speak to their suggestions about this meeting. James suggests a good objective would involve strengthening the shared governance relationship is something that we may want to discuss. Miranda points out in the chat that many things will occur in the next month that may need to be addressed.

2. Feedback to Board of Governors Representative Stephanie Clemons on the Report to be submitted to the Board of Governors for use in the Presidential Evaluation

This part of the meeting was confidential and therefore not recorded in the minutes.

C. Reports

1. Provost/Executive Vice President – Rick Miranda

Miranda reports on committees that are meeting about the fall semester, speaks to the budget situation with possibility that the shortfall will not be as bad as expected. States that much more will be known after the Board of Governors meeting on June 4-5. Mentions possibility of ending in-person classes at Thanksgiving break. Smith asks for rationale and Miranda indicates that this approach would address both the issue of students returning from break with illness and the possibility of a second outbreak late in the fall. There will be a whole suite of expectations including testing, contact tracing, cleaning of classrooms. Some will be self-service. Clemons asks about residence halls. Miranda responds that double occupancy may be possible.

Sanford asks about summer field courses. Miranda indicates some possibility of slow resumption. Clemons asks about work at the Mountain Campus and Miranda says that the Mountain Campus program has been mothballed for the summer

Pedros-Gascon asks about anticipated furloughs and salary cuts. Doe adds that all feedback from her college indicates preference for furlough. Miranda indicates legal problems with furlough and with contracting retirement incentives. Also indicates that the Board directed the presidents in the system to not bind the universities to multiyear contracts but says there may be need for more instructors, not less. The need for smaller class sizes will force more sections and the need for more instructors. States he is trying to quantify the need for the CFO. States his understanding that this represents a morale blow to not have the resumption of the contracts.

3. Faculty Council Chair – Tim Gallagher

Not a great deal of news to report but points out the opportunity presented by the June 16 meeting. Recommends that we directly address, as Sue James suggested, “How can we make shared governance more effective on this campus?” Gallagher state hope that the meeting will yield a new day in terms of relationship between faculty council and the president.

James brings up notes and transcription. Do we use a transcription from Teams or use something else? Points out that she has looked at the transcribed meeting minutes and they are not helpful.

The groups discusses the pros and cons of various minute-taking strategies. Group agrees to examine a short and long version of today’s minutes.

3. Board of Governors Faculty Representative – Stephanie Clemons

The group agrees to acknowledge the Provost to the Board of Governors.

D. Discussion Items