



Administrative & Professional Assembly
Location: Athletics Building | Football Meeting Room
May 14, 2014 at 3 pm
Minutes

Call to Order: 3:01 pm

I. Roll Call

Present: Kirk Creamer, Susan Canaan, Josh Conradson, Meaghan Weir, Karen Rankin, Timothy Jones, David Benjamin, Laurel Hendrix, Shannon Bryant-Hankes, Frank Oprandy, Wiebke Kuhn, Vic Walker, Tammy Hollis, Elizabeth Bowersock, Jennifer Parker, Robert Holm, Cathy Pate, Kathy Harmon (sub), Bryan Elmore, Ashley Hamberlin, Chuck Hunt
Absent: Robert Kulick

II. Approval of Minutes from February and April meetings

Motions pass and minutes from February and April meetings are approved

III. Guest Speakers

a. Rich McGlynn – Senior Associate AD

- i. Rich McGlynn provided attendees with a summary handout of the NCAA Division 1 Academic Eligibility Requirements and provided an overview of those requirements. Mr. McGlynn reported that all of Auburn University's athletics teams are above the cut score with 6 out of 21 teams having a perfect score. Mr. McGlynn also described a push for autonomy rules to allow for changes in food offerings and financial support for student athletes with the goal of providing a health and wellness standard. The athletics department is working to meet both federal and state laws as well as comply with the NCAA. Additionally, Mr. McGlynn told attendees that student athletes must meet NCAA eligibility requirements in addition to Auburn University admission standards which include completion of 4 core credits per year of high school. Mr. McGlynn finished his time by highlighting the football team's great year, new men's basketball coach Bruce Pearl, and new baseball and softball coaches. When asked by an audience member about stadium changes in the next 5 years, Mr. McGlynn said that they may be looking into seating changes which would offer more premier seating to entice fans to attend games in person.

b. Jaime Ontiveros – Huron Consulting Group

- i. Jamie Ontiveros provided an overview of the proposed budget allocation model that the university has been exploring for the past 18 months, since January 2013. The Huron Group's role in the process is to help institutions improve financial management skills. For complete details on the process and proposed model, visit www.auburn.edu/strategicbudgeting. Mr. Ontiveros referenced new budget stresses as a challenge to the current model when highlighting the importance of considering changes.
- ii. Questions: When asked about the timeline for implementation, Mr. Ontiveros reported that there are two options being considered: one with an 18 month transition time and the other with a 30 month transition time. When asked if other institutions using similar models see academic units "fighting" for students, Mr. Ontiveros responded that many school say the model doesn't hurt collaboration but instead improved healthy competition and provides better transparency. An audience member asked about benefits to student services/support areas and the potential of decentralization of these units. Mr. Ontiveros, replied that the new model will bring into question current support services and their value and that no pattern toward decentralization has been seen in other institutions.

c. Chance Corbett – Associate Director, Emergency Management

- i. Chance Corbett spoke regarding the April 16, 2014 Campus Incident and surrounding events that led to the closure of campus. Mr. Corbett reported that there was an initial report of a threat on March 26, 2014 to which the Auburn Police Department responded. The threatening message was removed from a Haley Center bathroom wall and the police began conducting an investigation. On April 15, 2014 a suspicious individual was reported to the police department as being in Lowder Hall. The police responded but could not locate the individual. This led to many inquiries to risk management and rumors regarding campus safety on April 16, 2014. Following many calls to risk management, an AU Alert was issued at 11:08 pm on April 15. Ultimately, after assessing the totality of circumstances, the Executive Management Team recommended closing the university on the day of April 16. Additionally, Mr. Corbett addressed the Haley Center threat received on April 22, 2014. Mr. Corbett reported that a threatening message was found in a bathroom in Haley to which the police department responded. The police department made the decision to evacuate the building and conduct a full search. The Facilities department removed the writing and the building was reopened after the police determined there to be no threat to safety.

IV. Comments from the Chair

- a. Bryan Elmore thanked the speakers for their time. Mr. Elmore reported that the executive committee had been exploring the idea of Administrative and Professional Assembly participation in an administrative review process similar to the one done by the Faculty Senate. A committee to oversee the process would likely need to be created through a constitutional amendment process or A&P would have to work with human

resources to establish a 360 degree review process. Mr. Elmore also told attendees that the football ticket point system will not be implemented for the 2014 season as the new COO requested more time to review the current system. Finally, Mr. Elmore reported that the FY 2015 budget will likely be very similar to the previous budget and should include salary increases and a onetime supplement as given in previous years.

V. Executive Committee Report

- a. Ashley Hamberlin reported that at the previous Executive Committee meeting, members discussed speakers and elections for the May Assembly meeting. Additionally, the committee discussed assignment of A&P members to openings on university and senate committees.

VI. New Business

a. Recognition of Outgoing Assembly Representatives

Bryan Elmore recognized assembly members whose terms were ending and provided each with a certificate of appreciation for their service.

b. Recognition of New Assembly Representatives

Bryan Elmore recognized new assembly member who were elected by their constituents during the first week of May.

Joy Vrbka (Place 2), Jessica Charbaszcz (Place 2), BreAunna McKenzie (Place 10), Stephen Gulley (Place 12), Laurie Newton (Place 13), Amanda Malone (Place 14), Lawrence Hamberlin (Place 15), Katie Lee (Place 18).

VII. Open Forum

No Comments

VIII. Adjourn

4:36 pm