

**PIE Council Minutes**  
**Friday, August 27, 2021**  
**1:30 p.m.**  
**Zoom Virtual Meeting**

**Members Present:** Brian Anderson, Jewel Bishop, Marty Brock, David Brooking, Aaron Brooks, Jennifer Claybrook, Magan Evans, Wesley Garrett, Jess Harpole, Marty Hatton, Holly Krogh, Luis Leal Jr., Carla Lowery, Nora Miller, Jennifer Moore, Mackenzie Pearce, Anika Perkins, Leigh Anne Puckett, Jo Shumake, and Barry Smith.

**Approval of Minutes**

Members reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on April 16, 2021. Barry Smith motioned to approve the minutes. A second to the motion was made by Magan Evans. The motion carried.

**University Mission**

Dr. Brian Anderson presented the charge of reviewing the mission given by the President and Carla Lowery. The charge was to shorten the mission statement and to remove the academic unit names.

**Current Mission**

Mississippi University for Women (MUW), a public institution since 1884, provides high quality undergraduate and graduate education for women and men in a variety of liberal arts and professional programs, while maintaining its historic commitment to academic and leadership development for women. MUW emphasizes a personalized learning environment in all of its educational programs, which are offered through the College of Arts, Sciences, and Education\*, College of Business and Professional Studies, and College of Nursing and Health Sciences. MUW delivers selected programs and courses through distance education formats to provide educational opportunities throughout Mississippi and the United States, while addressing the unique educational and public service needs of northeast Mississippi and adjoining counties in northwest Alabama. MUW supports research, scholarship, and creativity to enhance faculty development and student learning and to advance knowledge in the disciplines offered by the university.

*\*The College of Arts, Sciences, and Education is now the College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Education.*

*Revised October 19, 2017*

**Proposed Mission by PIE**

Mississippi University for Women (MUW) provides high quality undergraduate and graduate education for women and men in a variety of liberal arts and professional programs while maintaining its historic commitment to academic and leadership development for women. Emphasizing a personalized learning experience, MUW employs a variety of instructional methodologies to provide educational opportunities in a diverse and inclusive environment. The

institution promotes research, scholarship, and creativity to enhance student development and achievement as a platform for lifelong education and growth.

### **SACSCOC Update**

Carla Lowery informed the council that the university applied for a Differentiated Review for the upcoming 10-year self-study. MUW will receive notification in December. The 10-year self-study kicks off in December at the annual SACSCOC meeting.

### **FY 2022 Budget Priorities**

Carla Lowery informed the Council that the recommended budget priorities were sent to the President was adopted for the FY 22 budget request process.

### **Future Meetings**

The next meeting will be September 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM via Zoom. Mark Ellard will present the results of the FY 22 budget allocation by the approved budget priorities.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.