

5/3/24 Administrative Council Meeting Minutes

Present: Dr. Brian Anderson, Russell Brandon, Dr. Marty Brock, Aaron Brooks, Karen Clay, Rodney Godfrey, Dr. Marty Hatton, Erinn Holloway, Jody Kennedy, Dr. Holly Krogh, Dr. Brandy Larmon, Carla Lowery, Shannon Lucius, Penny Mansell, Tequila McCoy, President Nora Miller, Dr. Clear Moore, Jennifer Moore, Nicole Patrick, Amanda Clay Powers, Laura Quinn, Ginger Smith, Susan Soblely, Dr. Scott Tollison and Dr. Kim Whitehead

President Nora Miller called the meeting to order.

Minutes -

Following a motion from Dr. Marty Hatton and a second by Dr. Clear Moore, the April 2024 meeting minutes were approved.

University Update –

For a legislative update, President Miller noted the appropriation bill SB3006 has not been voted on yet. She said it appears the university will receive what it requested in bond money. She also noted the Nursing Pinning Ceremony went well Thursday evening, and she is looking forward to the Magnolia Chain Ceremony and Commencement today.

Faculty Senate Update –

Dr. Holly Krogh said Faculty Senate elected new officers in April: Dr. Chad Murphy, President; Dr. Kristy Alpe, Vice President; and Dr. Chanley Rainey, Secretary. She also reported 18 faculty members were awarded a total of \$5,825 of the \$8,000 budgeted for Fund A while five faculty were awarded the full \$3,000 budgeted from Fund B.

Staff Council Update –

Tequila McCoy noted Tyler Wheat was selected for the first quarter Owl Star Award, the Administrative Professionals Day brunch on April 24 went well, and Banner Self-Service training for administrative assistants is scheduled for May 15. She also mentioned Staff Council will meet next week to finalize an end-of-the-year event for staff.

SGA Update –

No report.

Other Updates –

Rodney Godfrey reported ITS is working to deploy the new endpoint protection software for faculty and staff computers. The new software is called FortiEDR and will provide EndPoint Detection and Response capabilities to help prevent and thwart malicious programs such as ransomware, malware and viruses. IT anticipates some issues upon the initial rollout which is why they are doing a slower deployment strategy to help minimize potential process disruptions.

Nicole Patrick announced financial aid offers were sent to new freshmen and transfer students on May 1. Letters were sent later than usual due to the nationwide issue with FAFSA. Award letters will be sent to returning students soon.

Policies –

Following a motion by Carla Lowery and a second by Dr. Marty Hatton, the Administrative Council voted to recommend President Miller approve recommended changes to PS 3504 (Undergraduate Research Advisory Committee).

Following a motion by Andrew Moneymaker and a second by Dr. Scott Tollison, the meeting was adjourned.