

University Committee on Academic Governance

Draft Minutes

March 28, 2024



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Meeting Participants: Dean Rehberger (chair), Jiyong Ling, Gordon Sly, Teresa Mastin, Martin Crimp, Arthur Versluis, Elizabeth Gardner, John Fitzsimmons, Hibah Khan, Daniel Kramer, Julia, Ezzo, Jerry Urquhart, Diana Bello, Kara Yermak, Rick Hallgren, Estrella Torrez.

1. Meeting Adjourned 3:16 PM, March 28, 20

2. Approval April 4, 2024, Agenda

3. Approval of UCAG March 28, 2024, Minutes

4. Remarks

4.1. Remarks by Teresa Mastin (Vice Provost) discussing the change in leadership of the Secretary of Academic Governance from Gary Hoppenstand to a more collective model that would make Heidi Pineda, Deputy Secretary, assisted by Jack Lipton (Faculty Senate Chair), Teresa Mastin (Vice Provost) and Kara Yermak (Assistant Provost).

4.2. Remarks by Kara Yermak describing the historical perspective on role of the Secretary of Academic Governance. Discussion with the committee the new plan in leadership given the short time in the remaining semester. Posting for new Secretary is getting readied for posting (will be shared with committee) as well as filling the Deputy Secretary Position. Commends the work of Pineda. Hope to have new person by August. Discussion of the "dire" situation of the office. Not to put blame on any individual but lack of continuity has made doing normal processes very difficult. The office of the Secretary of Academic Governance does need more resources.

4.3. Dean Rehberger adds remarks that UCAG is an extension and important part of the Secretary's office and thanks the UCAG members and the Provost's office for hard work as well as Pineda.

5. New Business

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5.1. Discussed the slate for the Athletic Council. Motioned and approved slate of 6 candidates. Discussed the slate for the Beal Award. Motioned and approved a slate of 8 candidates. Discussed the slate for the University Military Education Advisory Committee. Motioned and approved a slate of 10 candidates.

5.2. Discussed the Faculty Athletic Representative and issues to date with establishing the bylaws for both the FAR(s) and the Athletic Council. Deann Rehberger and Kara Yermak provided history and current state of the bylaws. Committee had robust discussion and encouraged by the fact that the President's office is taking up the issues of the FAR(s) and Athletic Council. The committee decided, informally, decided to follow normal process of having the bylaws developed by the Athletic Council.

6. RoundTable:

6.1. No further discussions.

7. Moved to adjourn, no objections noted. Meeting adjourned 4:54 PM.